The Providentia

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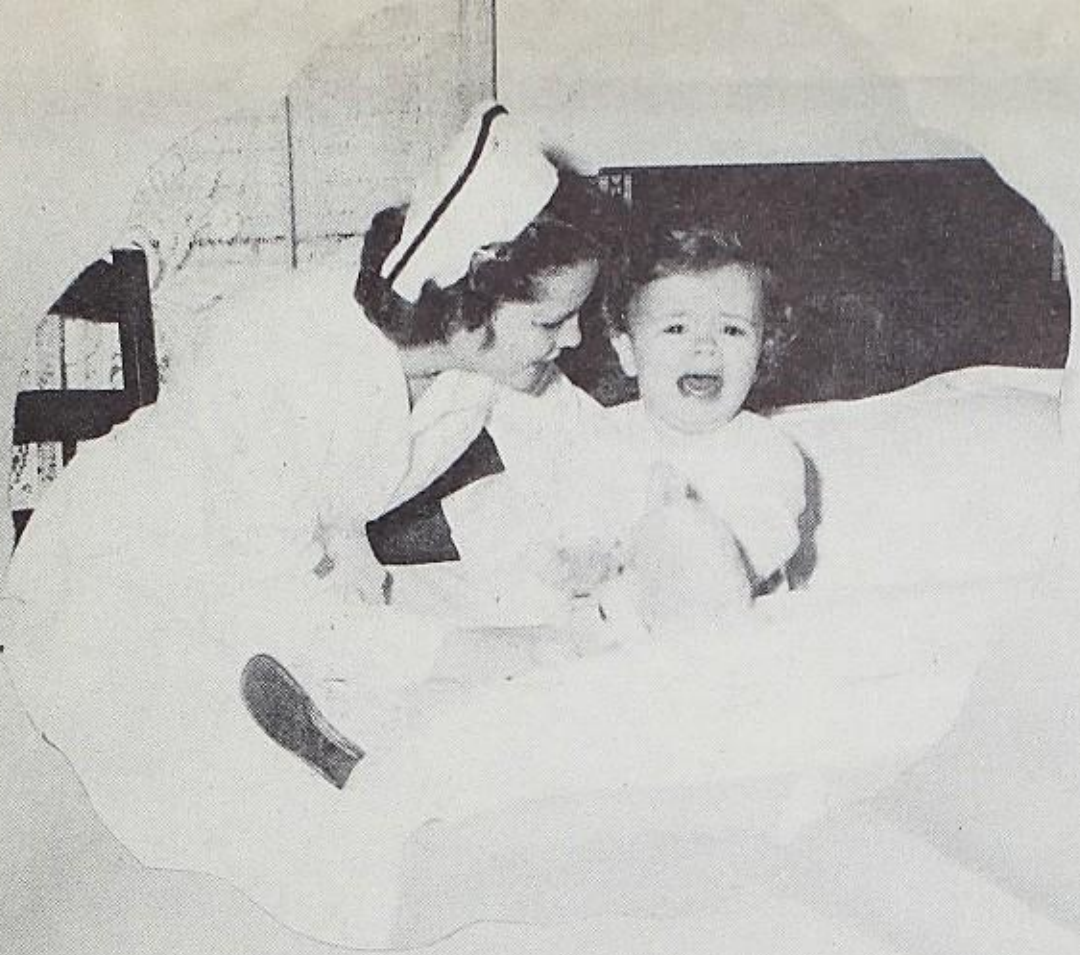
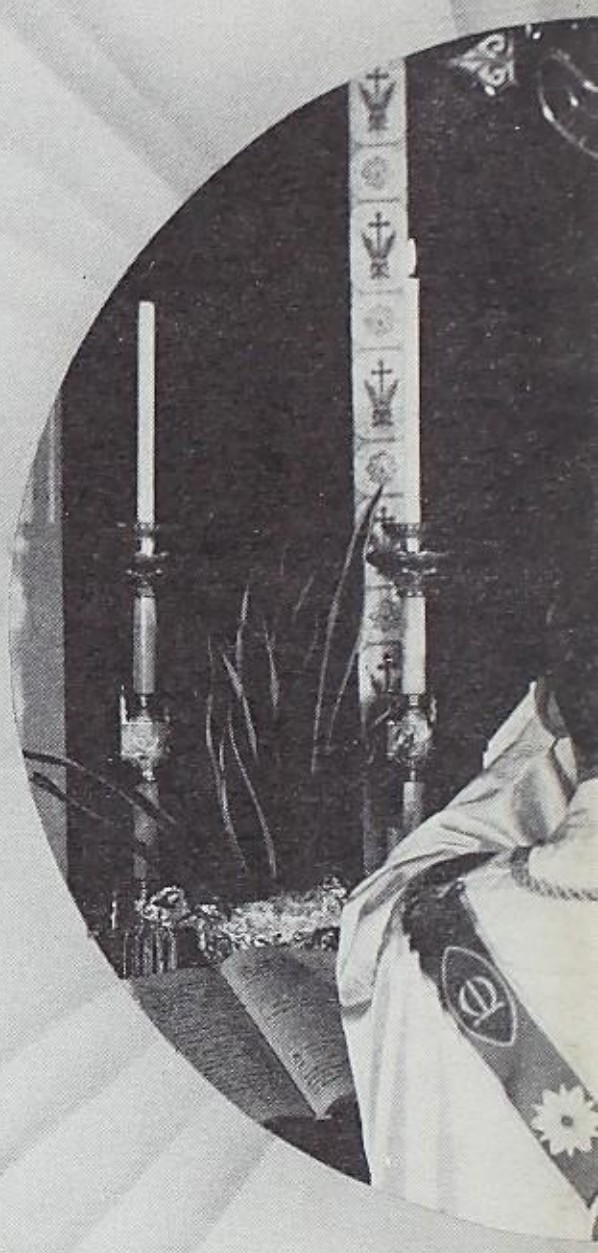
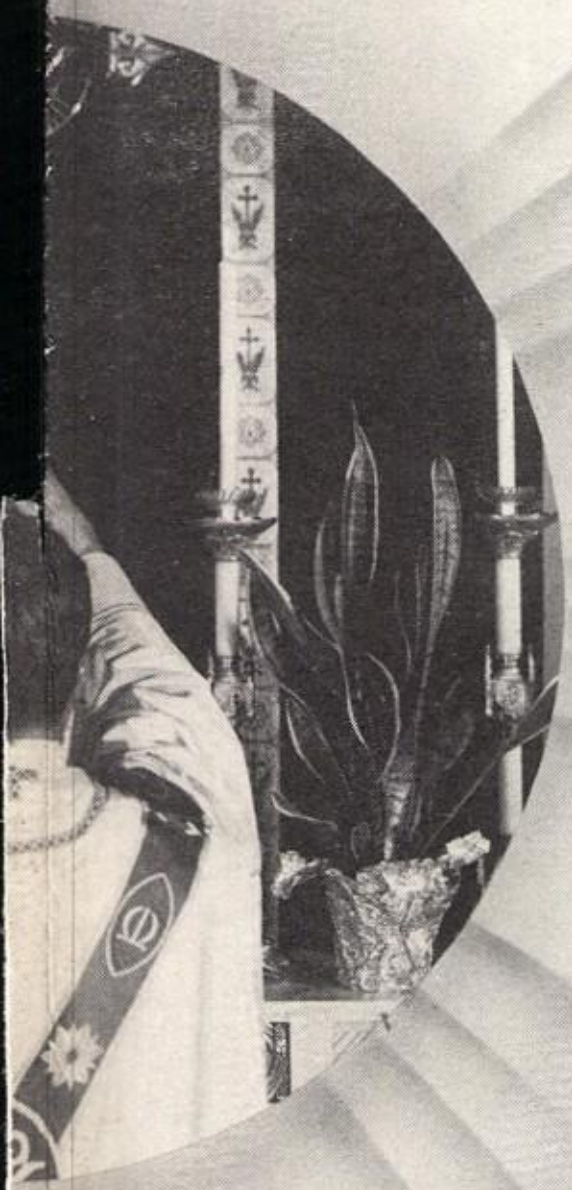




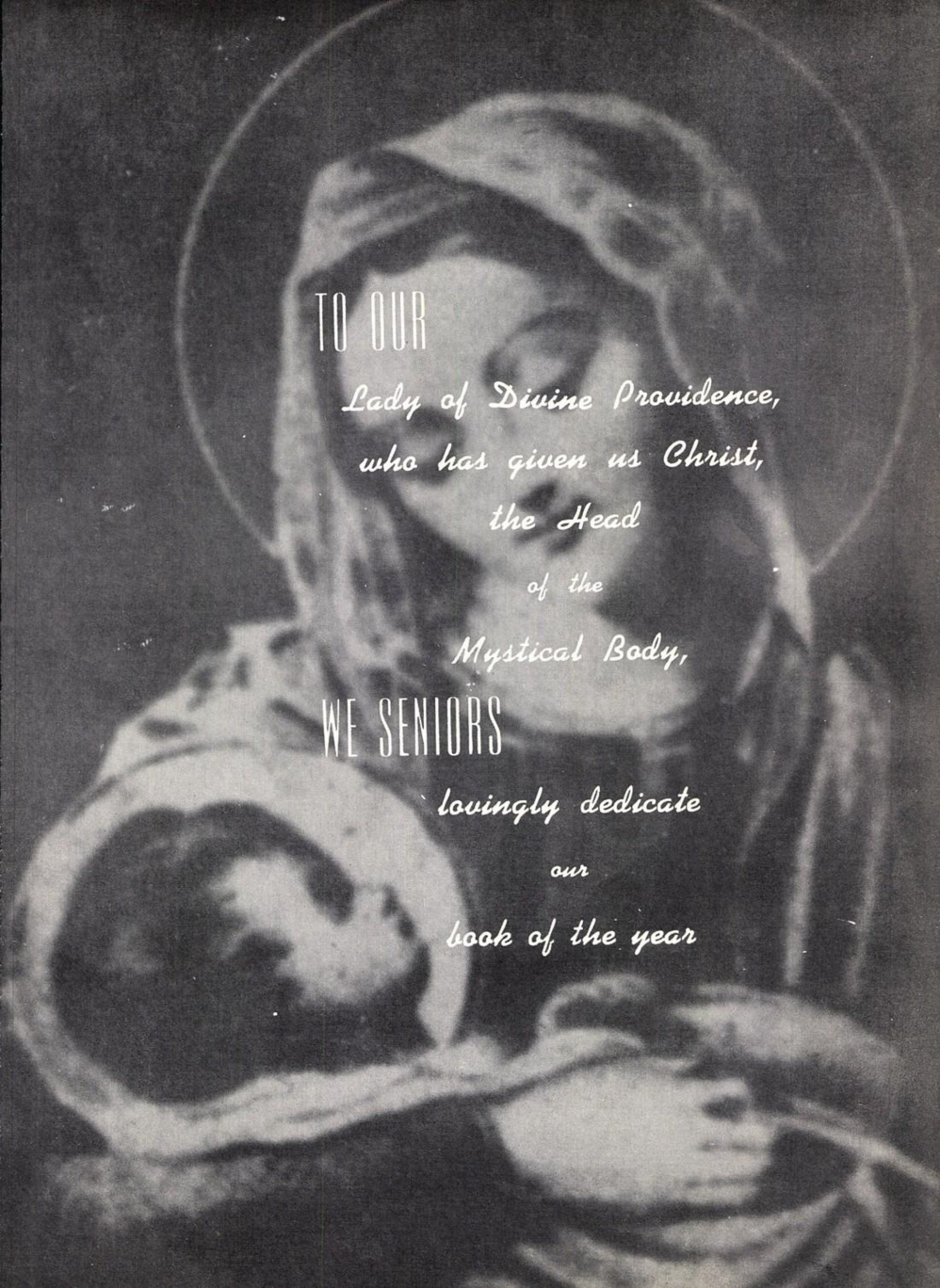


Miss Providence

The Providentia

Providence Central High School

Alexandria, Louisiana



TO OUR

Lady of Divine Providence,

who has given us Christ,

the Head

of the

Mystical Body,

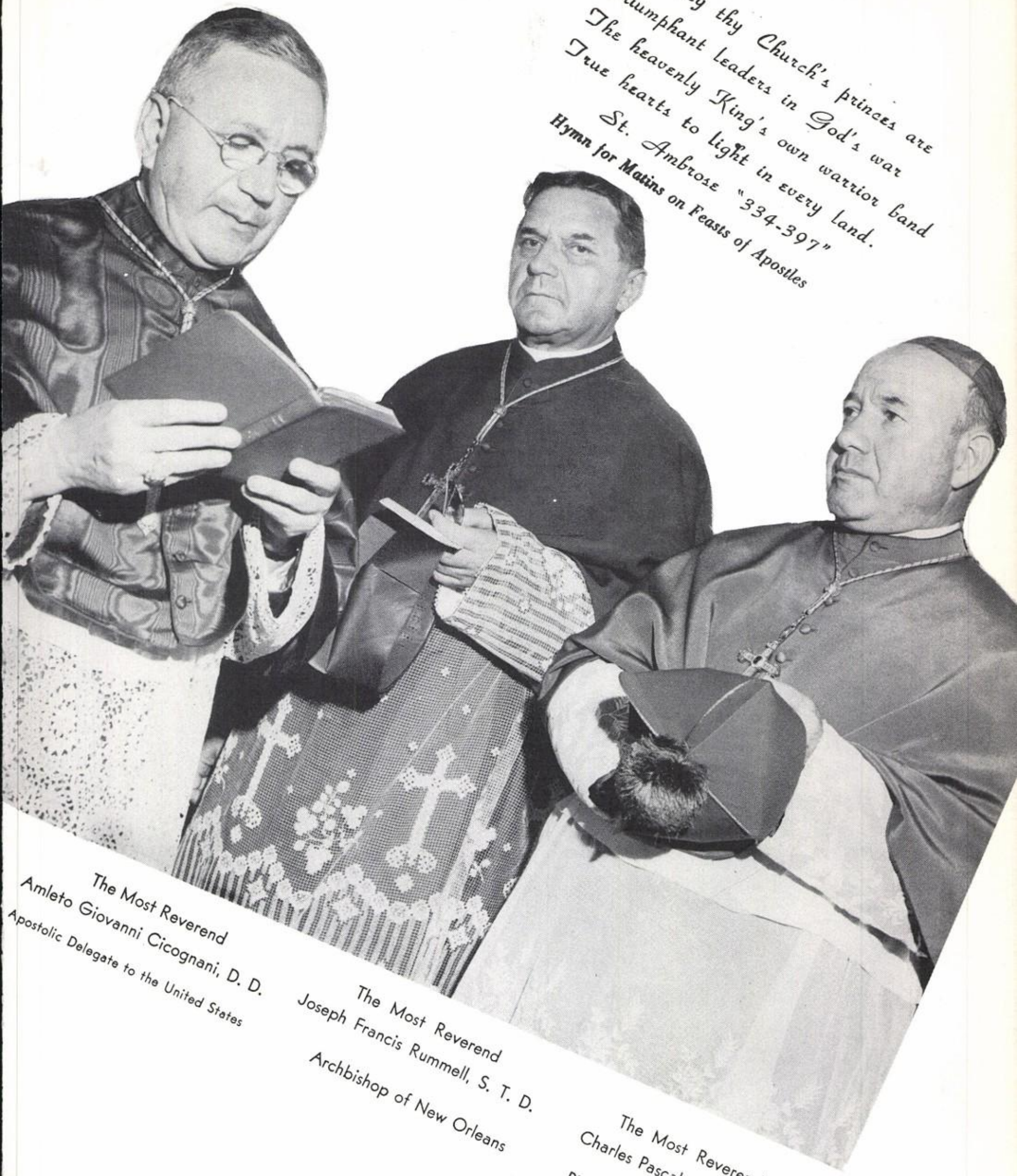
WE SENIORS

lovingly dedicate

our

book of the year

At the portals of
Providence . . .



For they thy Church's princes are
Triumphant leaders in God's war
The heavenly King's own warrior band
True hearts to light in every land.
St. Ambrose "334-397"
Hymn for Matins on Feasts of Apostles

The Most Reverend
Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, D. D.
Apostolic Delegate to the United States

The Most Reverend
Joseph Francis Rummell, S. T. D.
Archbishop of New Orleans

The Most Reverend
Charles Pascal Greco, D. D.
Bishop of Alexandria

Faculty

RT. REV. MONSIGNOR A. O. OLINGER
Religion

SISTER MARY STANISIA, PRINCIPAL
English and Languages

SISTER ROSE OF LIMA
Languages and Social Studies

SISTER MARY MAUREEN
Math and Science

SISTER MARY LUCILLE
Librarian, English

SISTER ROSE ANNELLE
Business Education and Social Studies

SISTER AGNES ROSE
Music

SISTER JULE ADELE
Music

MRS. MARJORIE WESTERCHILL
Home Economics and Physical Education

DR. BRUCE WALLACE, JR., M. D.
Health Education

MR. EDWARD E. MARSHALL
Speech Coach

MRS. RENE FOWLER
Basketball Coach

The Mystical Body of Christ

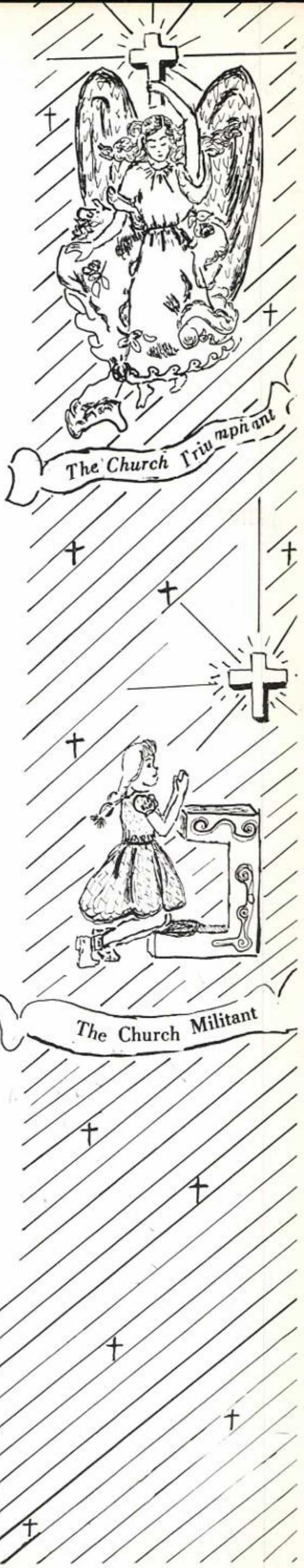
"I am the vine,
You are the branches . . ."

Early in the spiritual life of Miss Providence, she becomes aware of her role in life as a member of the Mystical Body of Christ.

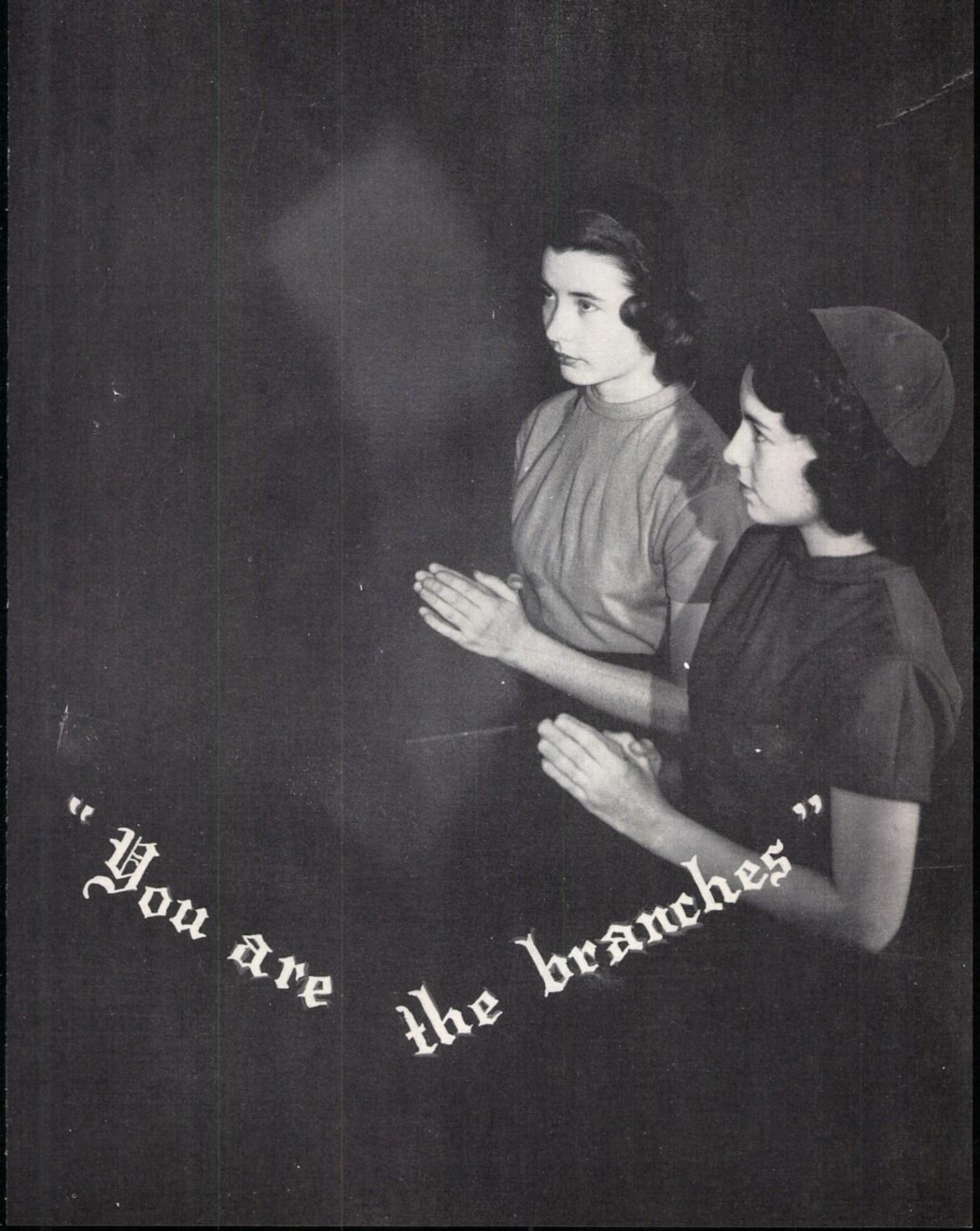
Through her moral training, the Quest for Happiness, she learns theories which she carries over to her sodality and other organizations, and through them to her every day actions. She learns that Christ, the life stream of the Mystical Body, offers Himself to her daily, in the Sacrifice of the Mass. As the vine, He nourishes her through frequent, even daily communion.

Christ offers Himself to Miss Providence. In return, she asks: "What shall I render unto the Lord for all that He hath rendered unto me?" She answers her own query by those striking words of the Mass: " 'I will take the Chalice of Salvation'—yes, Lord, I will partake of the life giving grace that you daily give to me—' and I will offer it unto You.' "

She likewise learns that a true offering is unselfish. As a soldier of the Church Militant, she prays for her brothers and sisters who have gone before her, the Church Suffering, and she prays to those who have already reached their goal, the Church Triumphant, so that they may help her to gain that which they have already attained—the fountain Head of the Mystical Body.

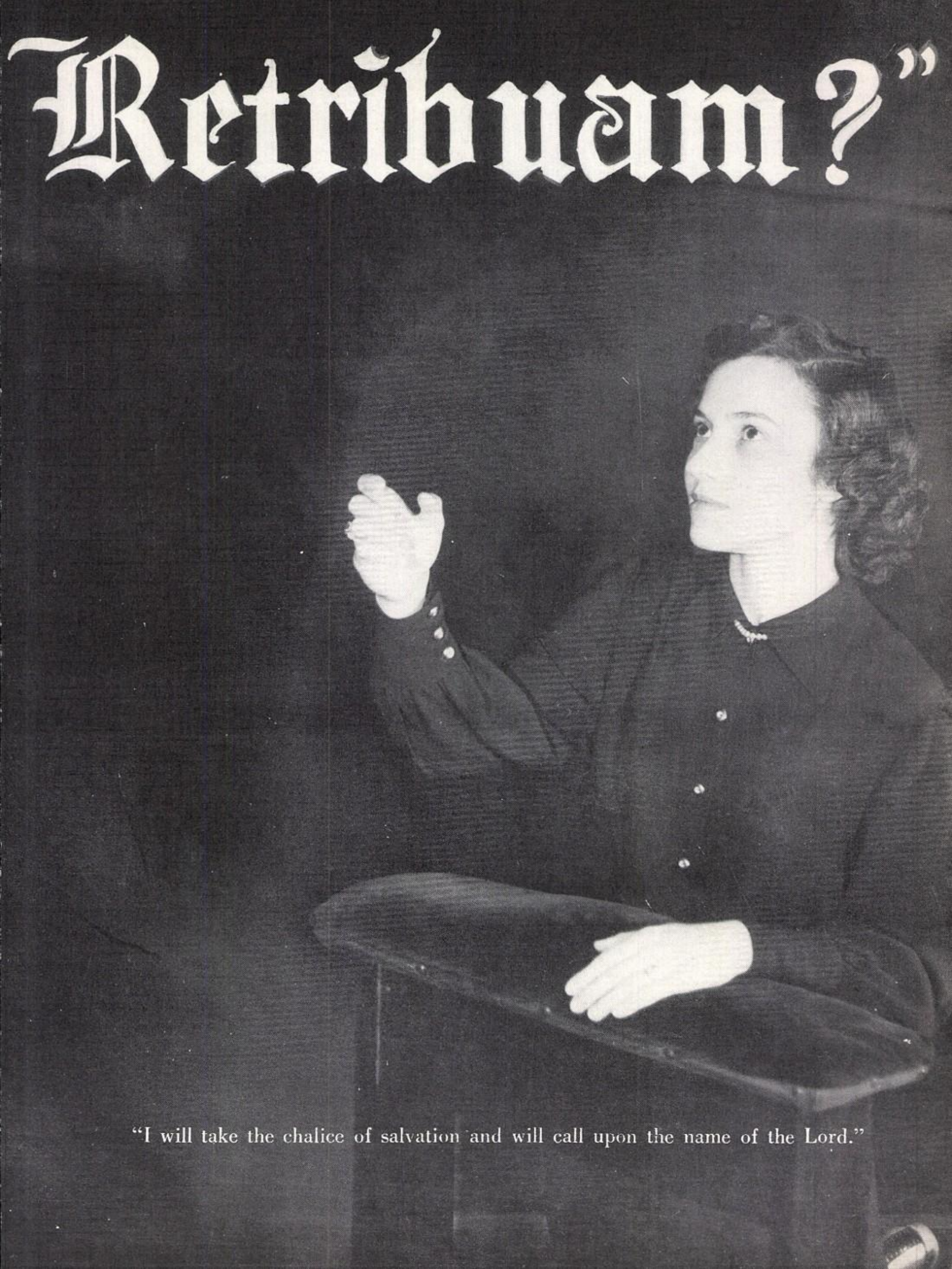


"I am the Vine"


"You are the branches"

"What shall I render unto the Lord for all that He hath rendered unto me?"

Retribuam?"



"I will take the chalice of salvation and will call upon the name of the Lord."

Senior Class Officers make a dramatic entrance through the lattice work diploma on Class Night.

Left to Right: Mary Lee Connella, Treasurer; Betty Lynn Hebert, Secretary; Loretta Chenevert, Vice-President. Not in picture, Sadie Jean Martin, President.

SENIORS

BETTY JOYCE CAZES

St. Francis Cabrini

jovial . . . smooth dancer . . . fun to be with . . . auburn hair

LORETTA CHENEVERT

St. Francis Cabrini

tall . . . fun-loving . . . friendly . . . personality plus . . . incessant chatter

1950

MARY LEE CONNELLA

St. Francis Cabrini

studious . . . sport lover . . . vivid imagination . . . square dancing . . . brunette

JOAN RITA COSENZA

St. Francis Cabrini

"Bootsie" . . . infectious laugh . . . bundle of energy . . . everybody's friend . . . pleasant disposition

IRMA RUTH DEVILLE

Sacred Heart

willing and co-operative . . . pleasing personality . . . decided brunette . . . diligent student

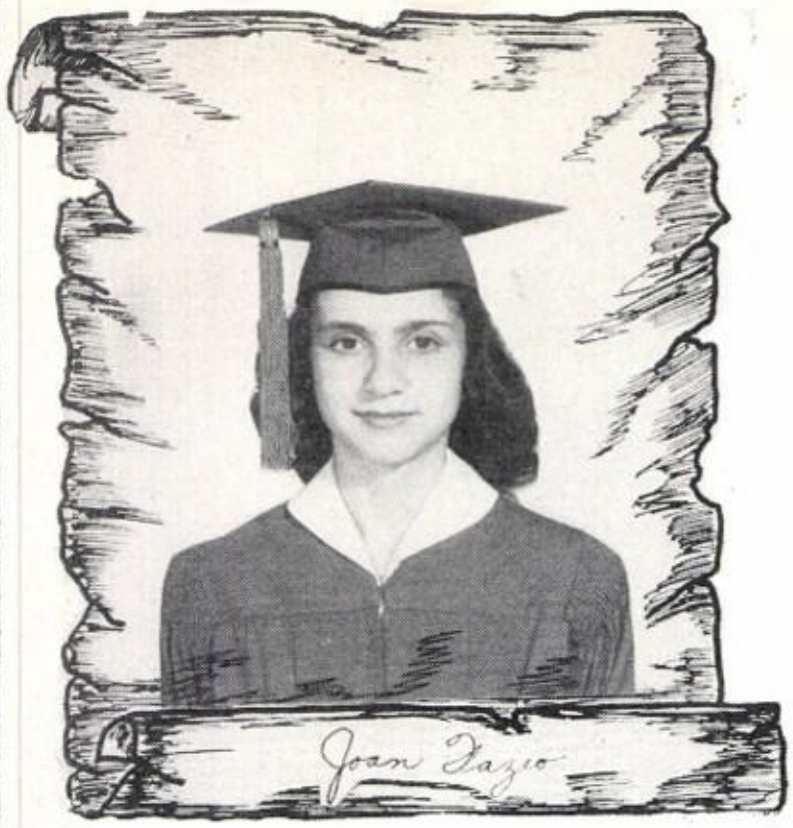
1950

SENIORS

MARY AGNES DUHON

St. Francis Cabrini

short . . . brownette . . . typing addict . . . sweet . . . fisherwoman



JOAN FAZIO

St. Francis Xavier

luminous brown eyes . . . tall . . . artistic . . geometry lover . . . basketball fan

BETTY FLYNN

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

tall . . . blond . . . booklover . . . quiet . . . studious . . . reliable

1950

R

S

JANET LOUISE FURBY

St. Francis Xavier

witty . . . nonchalant . . . ambition to combine hydrogen and chlorine gas . . . constant grin

BARBARA GALLANT

Sacred Heart

dry humor . . . first love—typing . . . quiet . . . always welcome . . . amiable . . . nonchalant

MILDRED GLANKLER

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

"Mickey" . . . that Irish look . . . good time specialist . . . vivacious . . . oratorical winner . . . sparkling personality

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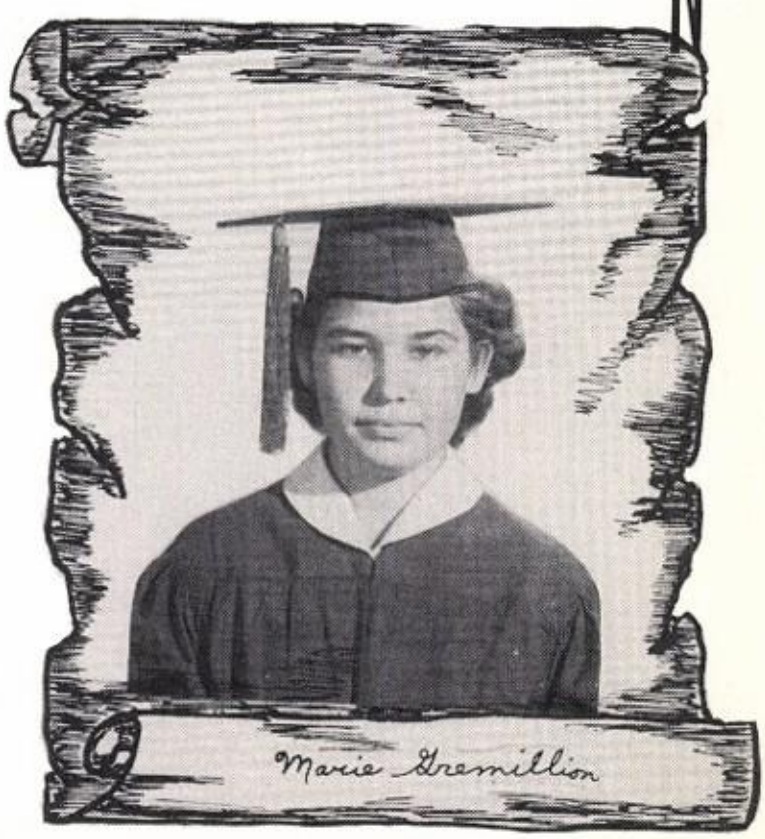
1950



MARIE GREMILLION

St. Rita

brunette . . . candid . . . domestically inclined . . . faithful friend

MYRA MAE GREMILLION

St. Rita

brunette . . . candid . . . domestically inclined . . . faithful friend

BETTY LYNN HEBERT

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

petite brownette . . . accordian specialist. . . perfect friend . . . domesticity

1950

OURS

BEVERLY JEMISON

St. Rita

short . . . cooking genius . . . sweet face. . . silent

ROSALIE LIOTTA

St. Francis Xavier

calm . . . typing whiz . . . good natured . . . amiable

YOLANDA McGLOTHLIN

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

dependable . . . always on time . . . excitable . . . cooperative . . . pious

1950

SADIE JEAN MARTIN

Sacred Heart

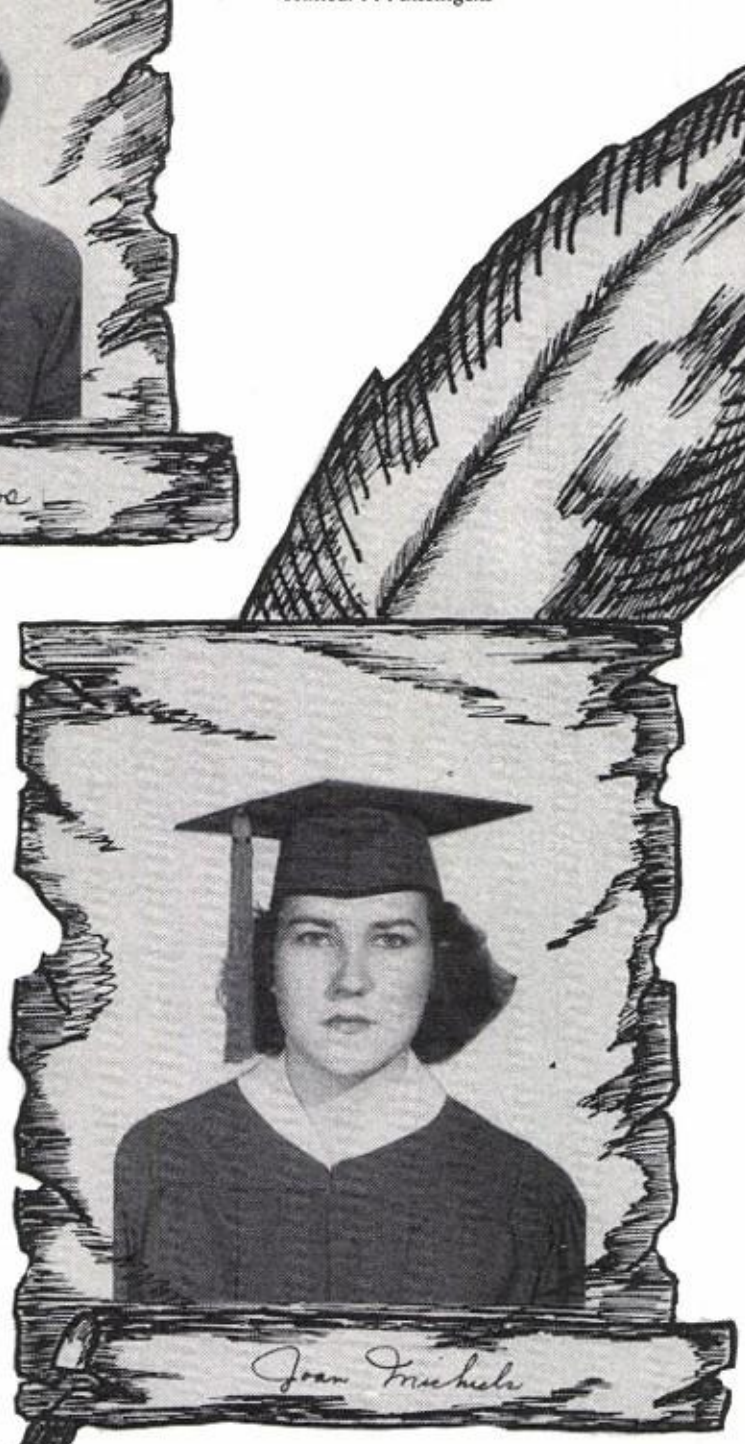
future M. D. . . . ambitious . . . neat . . . serious . . . intelligent

S E N

NINA MATHEWS

St. Rita

Hercules . . . silent type . . . charitable . . . comical . . . intelligent



JOAN MICHIELS

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

tall . . . McGills? No, Michiels . . . ludicrous . . . soprano . . . frank

1950

CATHERINE NORMAND

St. Rita

"Silence is golden" . . . ambition to become a nurse . . . sincere . . . tall . . . brunette. . . conscientious

FRANCIS PETERMAN

St. Francis Xavier

"Bootsie" . . . new edition . . . short and sweet . . . domestic . . . pleasant

ANNA RICHARD

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

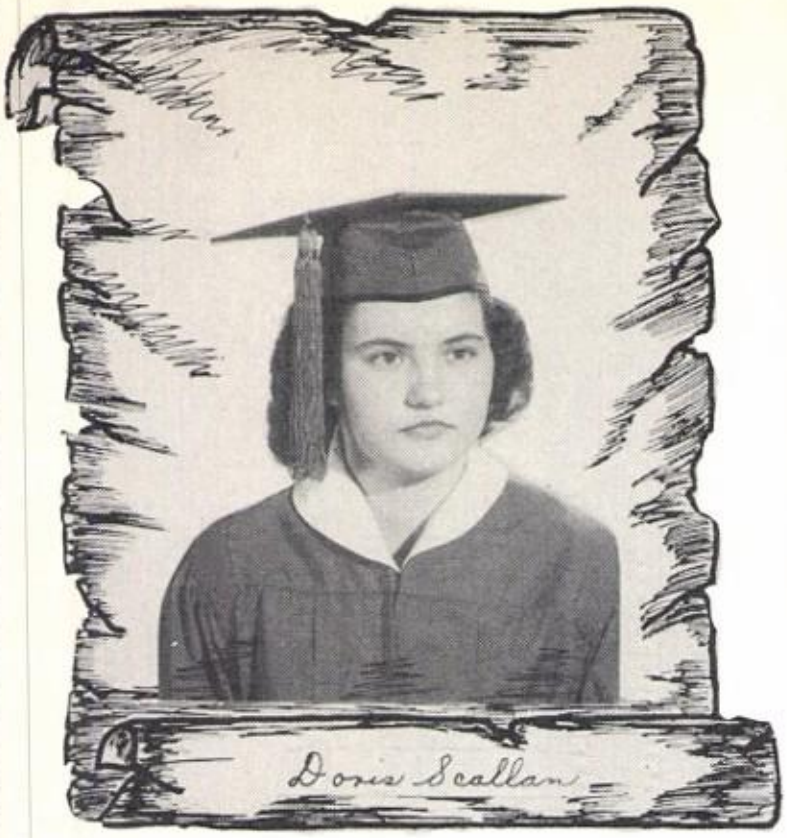
always on her toes . . . P. J. . . . talented. . . self-sacrificing . . . good to look at . . . a "go getter"

1950

JOANNE RUBIN

newcomer . . . quiet but friendly . . . pleasant face . . . likable

SENIORS



DORIS ANN SCALLAN

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

music fanatic . . . campus leader . . .
sagacious . . . good disposition . . .
noble soul

HELEN SCROGGS

smooth . . . neat . . . incessant prattle . . .
fun lover . . . very pretty

1950

HENRIETTA SMITH

St. Francis Cabrini

"Mitzie" . . . tall brunette . . . calm intelligent

DOROTHY SUBA

even tempered . . . friend indeed . . . sweeter than sweet . . . Bobbie's better half . . . attractive

SHIRLEY THIBERVILLE

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

pert little miss . . . "Bride and Groom" . . . . musical talent . . . short and wiry

1950

PAULINE TREADWAY

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

big brown eyes . . . happy-go-lucky . . . "Life of a party" . . . ability to be everywhere at once . . . "Parrott"

DORIS ANN VANDERHOEVEN

Our Lady of Prompt Succor

attractive . . . nightingale . . . "better late than never" . . . schooner's fever . . . n'er to be forgotten

PATRICIA VAN GOSSEN

St. Rita

persevering . . . intelligent . . . unusual . . . outstanding . . . the all around Catholic girl

1950

SENIORS

ELIZABETH WRIGHT

neat . . . tall . . . blond . . . full of fun . . . everybody's friend

Junior officers improvise an October altar of Our Blessed Mother.
Left to right: Mildred Baker, President; Joyce Dunn Vice-President; Faye Andries, Secretary; Betty Jean Betar, Treasurer.

JUNIORS

Mildred Barker

Faye Bernice Andries

Betty Joyce Andries

Patsy Ruth Bonnette

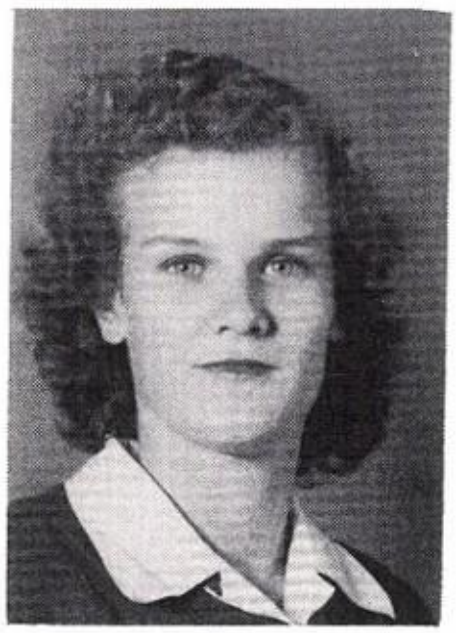
Betty Jean Betar

Josephine Bellino

Billie Bordelon

Ruby Nell Bordelon

JUN



Patsy Bunch

Delphine De Bona

Frances Domico

Joyce Dunn

Loyce Dunn

ORS

Helen Jean Fassentold

Mikki Ellington

Betty Ellington

Carolyn Kelso

Mary Elizabeth Forest

Mildred Fisackerly

Joyce LaBorde

Betty Lou LaCombe

Clara Landry

Gloria Lazrone

Mary Jane Lena

Jo Ann Mahfouz

ORS

Mary Margaret Matthews

Nancy McLellan

Joanne Marshall

Arthur Lee Melder

Sylvia Mayeux

Mary Rose Medica

Ruth Moreau

Audrey Normand

Kathryn Normand

Hazel Pryor

Shirley Taylor

Patsy Dell Treadway

Laulette Torbett

Marie Van Mol

Jo Ann Velotta

Jean Vanderhoeven

Lois Marie Woodard

Jane Williams

Betty Watson

Agnes Ann Yerby

Sophomores plan a party for the Seniors.
Left to right: Thelma Miller, President; Ruth Poche, Vice-President; Annette Carbo, Treasurer; Addie Ronsonnette, Secretary.

SOPHOMORES

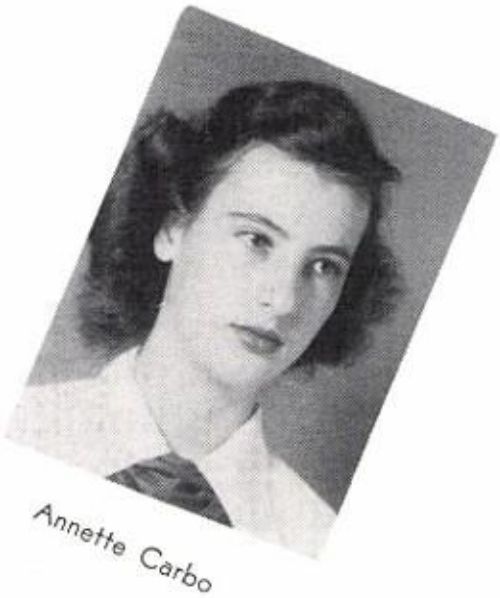
Barbara Axtle

Margaret Baker

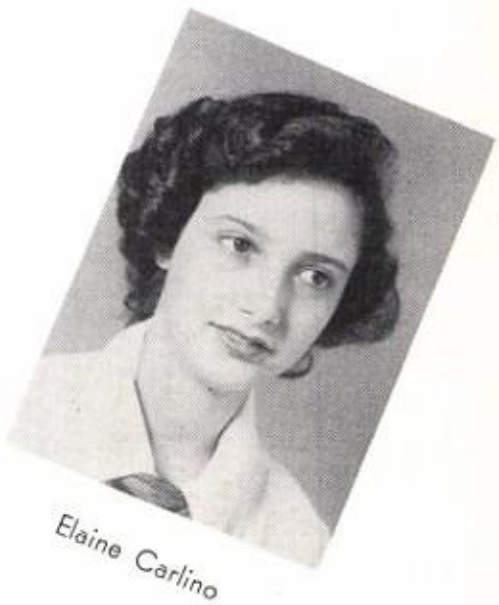
Louise Bohrer

Jacquelyn Bordelon

Jessie Barton



Annette Carbo



Elaine Carlino

Betty Burleigh

Carrie Ann Chicola

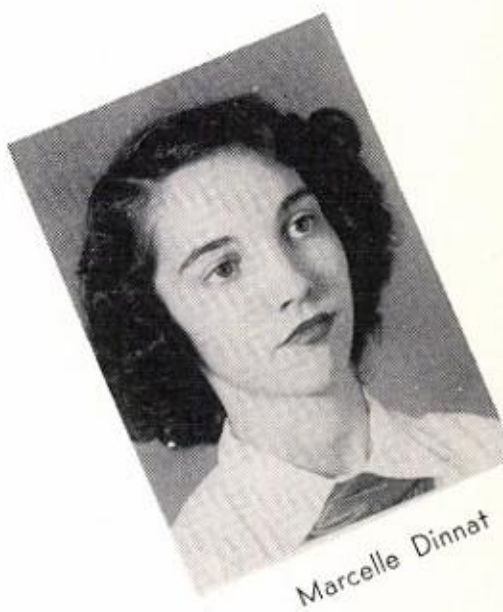
SOPHOMORES

Barbara Cicardo

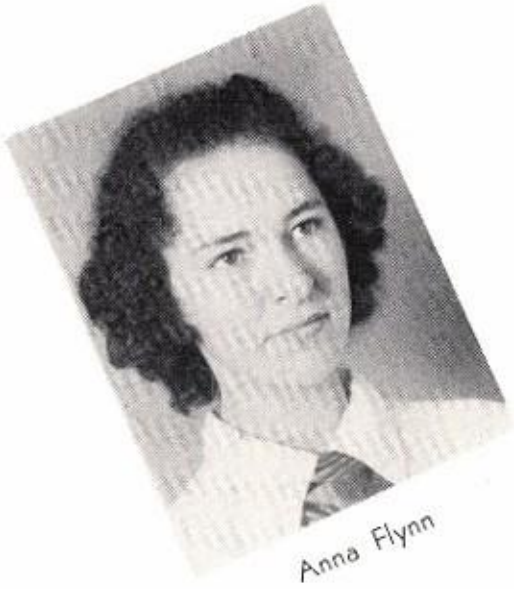
Pauline Cicardo

Joan DeWitt

Anita Delaune



Marcelle Dinnat



Anna Flynn

Isabelle Distefano

Gennesarette Fuqua

Mary Pauline Fredie

SOPHOMORES

Janie Gilbert

Helen Gremillion

Joyce Guillory

Betty Hilton

Sara Guillory

Mary Frances LaCroix

Jo Lindsay

Carolyn LaCour

Dolores Mathews

SOPHOMORES

Audrey Mayeaux

Thelma Miller

Mary Ann Michiels

Mildred Michiels

Bonnie Mitchell

Patsy Rine

Ruth Poche

Frances Rusk

Addie Ronsonette

SOPHOMORES

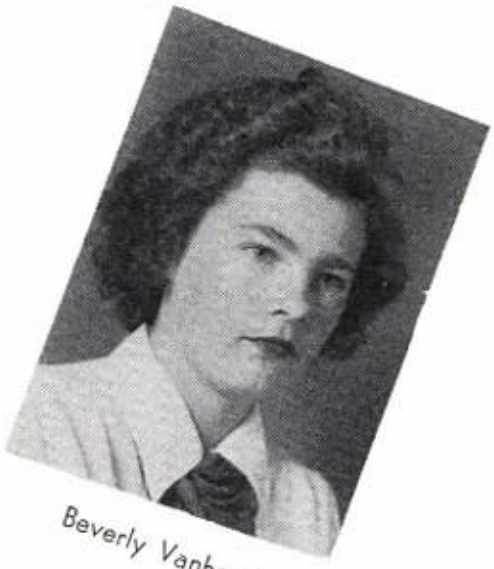
Betty Sepulvado

Janet Scalfano

Anna Simmons

Joyce Thiels

Peggy Scott



Beverly Vanhoof

Betty Verzwyvelt

Geraldine Trahan

Shirley Williams

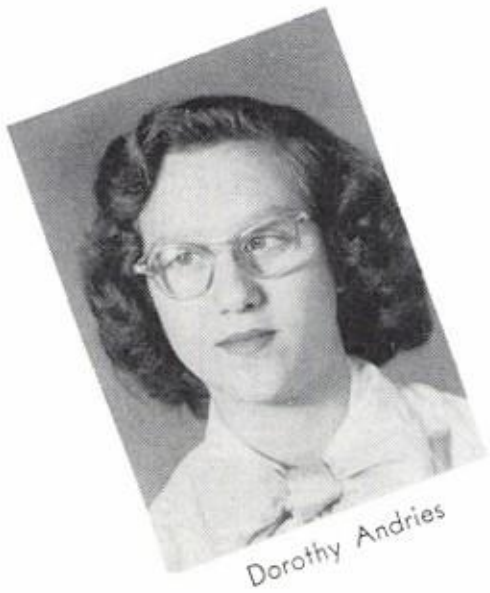
Freshmen officers pause for a few minutes to discuss some interesting topics.
Left to right: Darlene Connella, President; Margaret Bordelon, Vice-President;
Jo Betty Blanchard, Secretary; Murlene Harris, Treasurer.

FRESHMEN

Marie Ann Ackel

Letitia Andries

Norma Jean Anderson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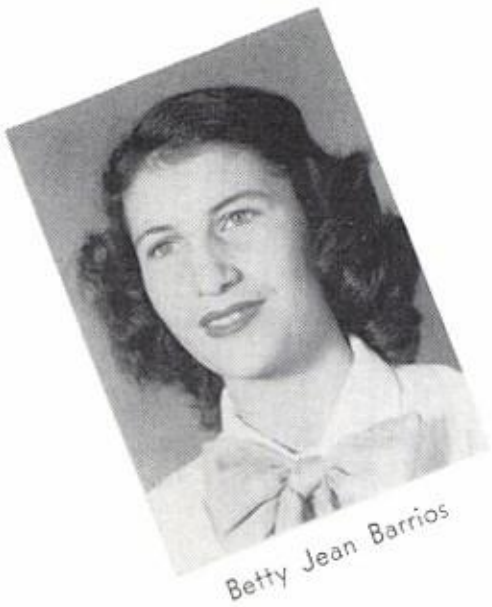
June Armstrong

Jo Betty Blanchard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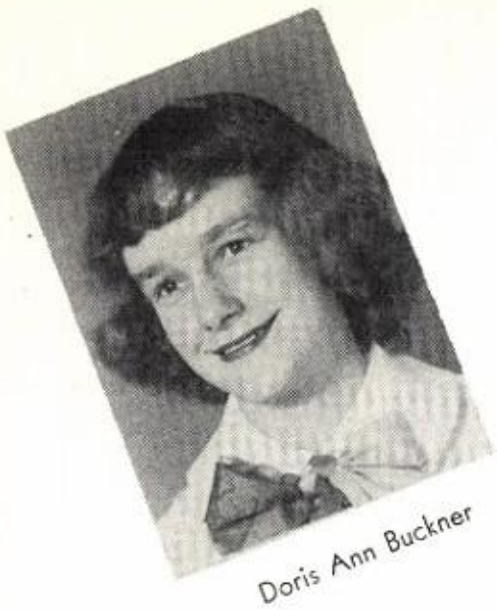
Elsie Ruth Bonnette

Gayle Bordelon

Ann Bordelon

Margaret Bordelon

FRESHMEN



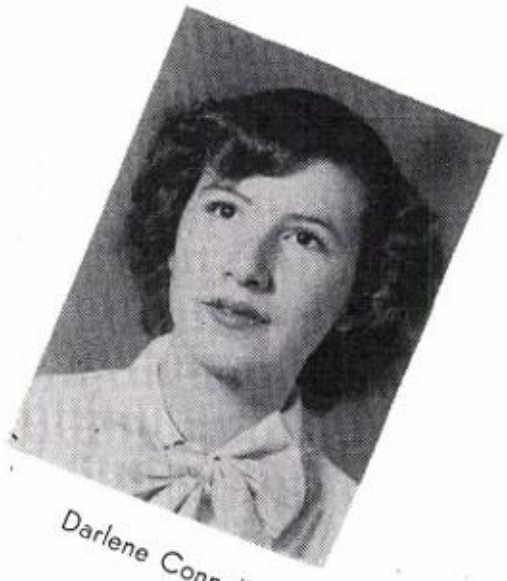
Doris Ann Buckner

Marie Cole

Beverly Jane Carter

Marilyn Cicardo

Theo Janet Crosby

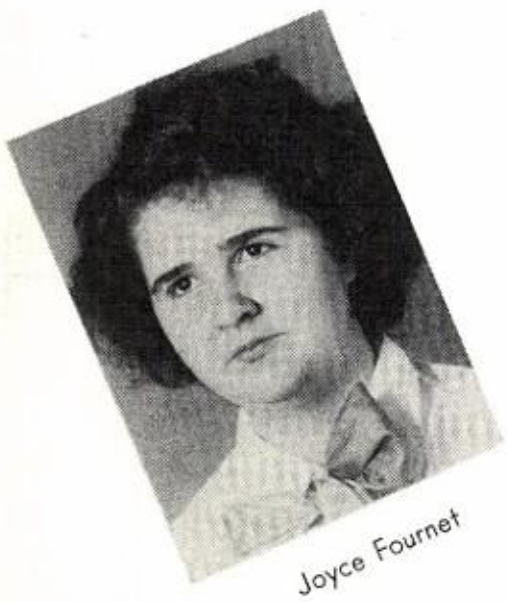


Darlene Connella

Rose Annette Costantino

Ruby Lee Gallien

Hattie Lee Evans



Joyce Fournet

Olena Gaspard

FRESHMEN

Agnes Gilbert

Allene Goodwin

Cecilia Gilbert

Lois Marie Gilchrist

Helen Jean Guillory

Annette Gremillion

Peggy Ruth Gueringer

Mollie Dee Hughes

Murlene Harris

Ruth Huffman

Cynthia Jackson

FRESHMEN

Dorothy Juneau

Mary Jean Laird

Eloise Lawrence

Barbara Lawrence

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Audrey Marcotte

Carolyn Lott

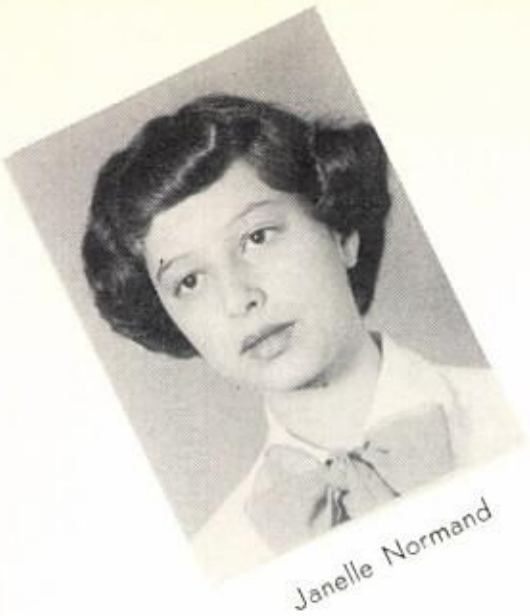
Sylvia Matassa

Shirley Marie Mathews

Helen Mathews

Ethel Mayeux

FRESHMEN



Janelle Normand

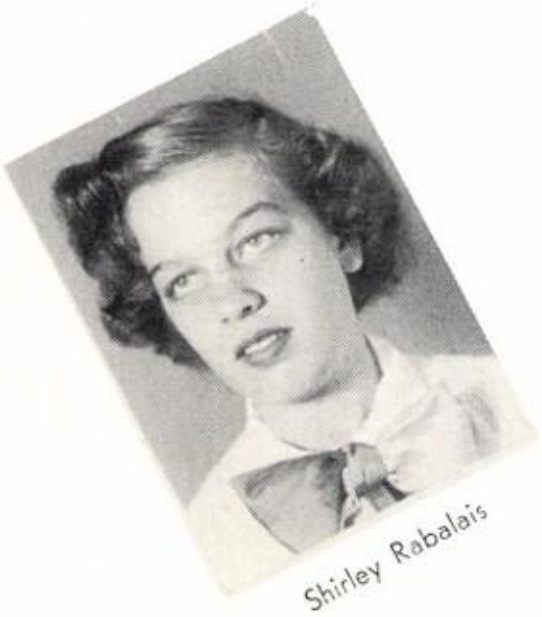
Jo Ann Piazza

Shirley Ann Normand

Marie Paddie

Norma Sartori

Beth Price

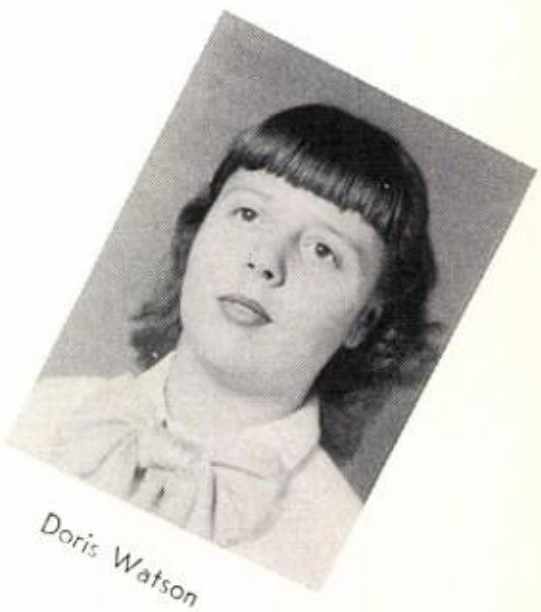


Shirley Rabalais

Vivian Vanderlick

Patsy Slatten

Diane Tooley



Doris Watson

Eighth grade officers chat before the school doors are opened.
Left to right: Janez Schonfield, Vice-President; Carolyn Cappel, President; June Norman, Treasurer; Gertie Lusted, Secretary.

EIGHTH GRADE

Fay Andries

Patsy Baden

Gloria Barton

Jo Ann Betar

Marilyn Betar

Carolyn Cappel

Patricia Chaudoir

Melba Distefano

Shirley Fertitto

Penelope Guidros

Nina Hay

Barbara Jeansonne

Sally Johnson

Mary Cecilia Kelso

Patricia Kimball

Toni Koeberlein

Virginia Labro

EIGHTH GRADE

Llewellyn Laurent

Lynn Leger

Gertie Lusted

Janelle Mayeux

Vertie Michiels

June Normand

Leola Normand

Geraldine Rachal

Janez Schonfeld

Clara Slocum

Bernadine Petrus

Helen Marie Smith

Mildred Thiels

Jeannette Snow

Joyce Verzwyvelt

Colysta Testa

Dale Van Gossen

MISS PROVIDENCE AND CHARACTER BUILDING

Through the medium of the Christian Family Living program, each student at Providence Central High School receives a thorough education in every phase of her life.

Miss Providence develops whole and entire: her moral training begins with daily mass and communion, is explained and molded in the classroom, and is carried over to her sodality and various activities. Intellectually, she receives sound mental training from well qualified teachers who not only inculcate correct theories but likewise point our practical applications. Every opportunity is afforded her to receive an excellent cultural training in music, dramatics, and art. Miss Providence learns that a sound mind and a weak body are incompatible for all that is required of her; therefore she takes advantage of the physical exercise and health education offered in the schedule. Christian Family Living teaches Miss Providence that recreation is nourished with good, clean, wholesome entertainment in the home, is transplanted to the campus, and blossoms in the outside world.

When Miss Providence steps forth from the threshold of Providence to the waiting arms of the world, she carries with her a characteristically Christian personality, mind and body ready to cope with every encounter a challenging universe offers.

Miss Providence Develops

MORALLY

"As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it remain on the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me."—John 15, 4

The moral training of Miss Providence has its beginning in the Mass . . . Her entire life revolves around the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered daily for her . . . As a body cannot exist long without nourishment, so also does she learn that the soul needs supernatural nourishment, Holy Eucharist. Becoming one with Christ, she is eager to become even closer united to Him by studying His doctrines and principles. Not being satisfied by mere classroom knowledge, she craves to share her learning with others. . . She belongs to religious organizations both on the campus and off . . . In a word, Miss Providence has discovered that religion is not a mere credit course, but the nucleus of her entire existence.

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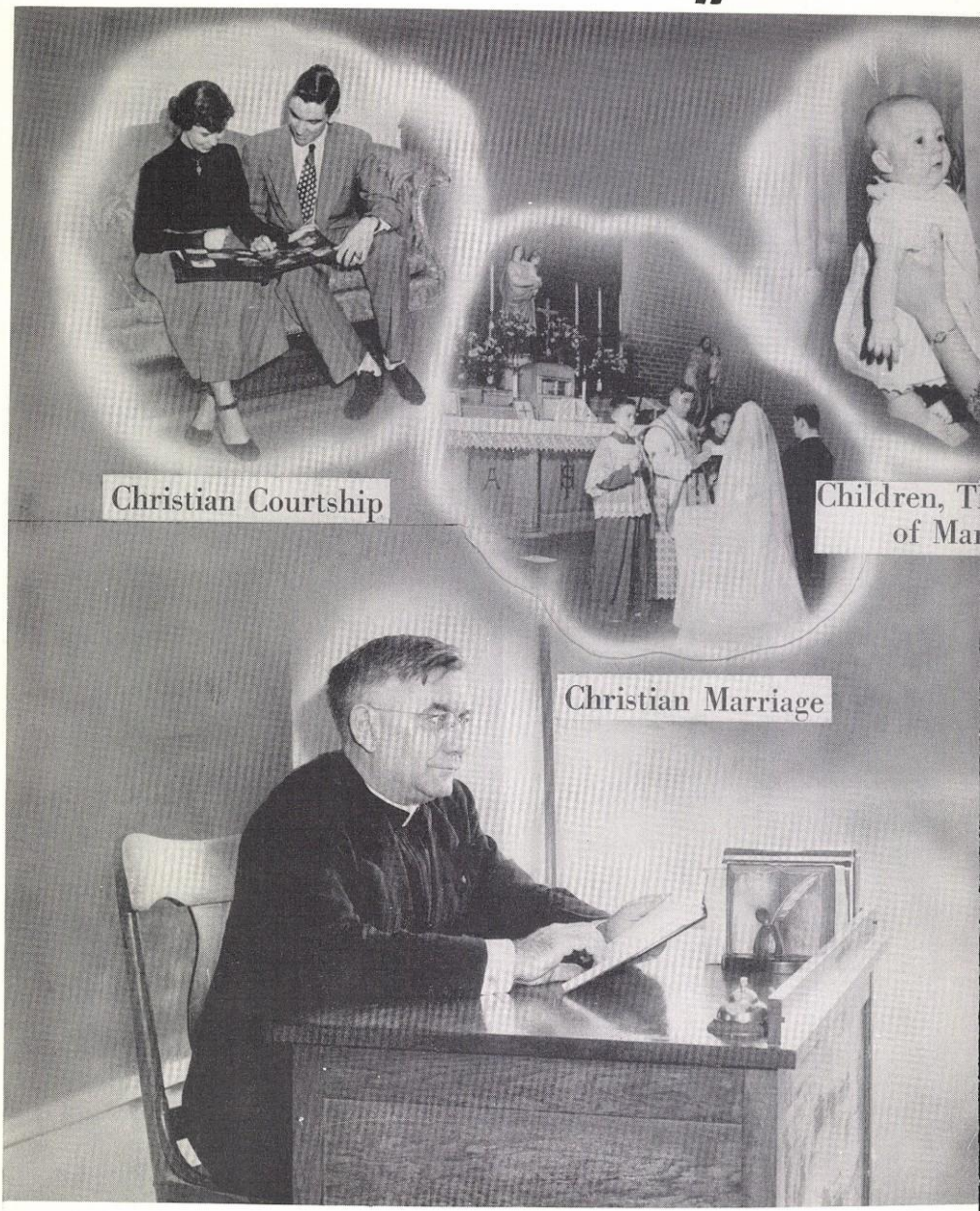
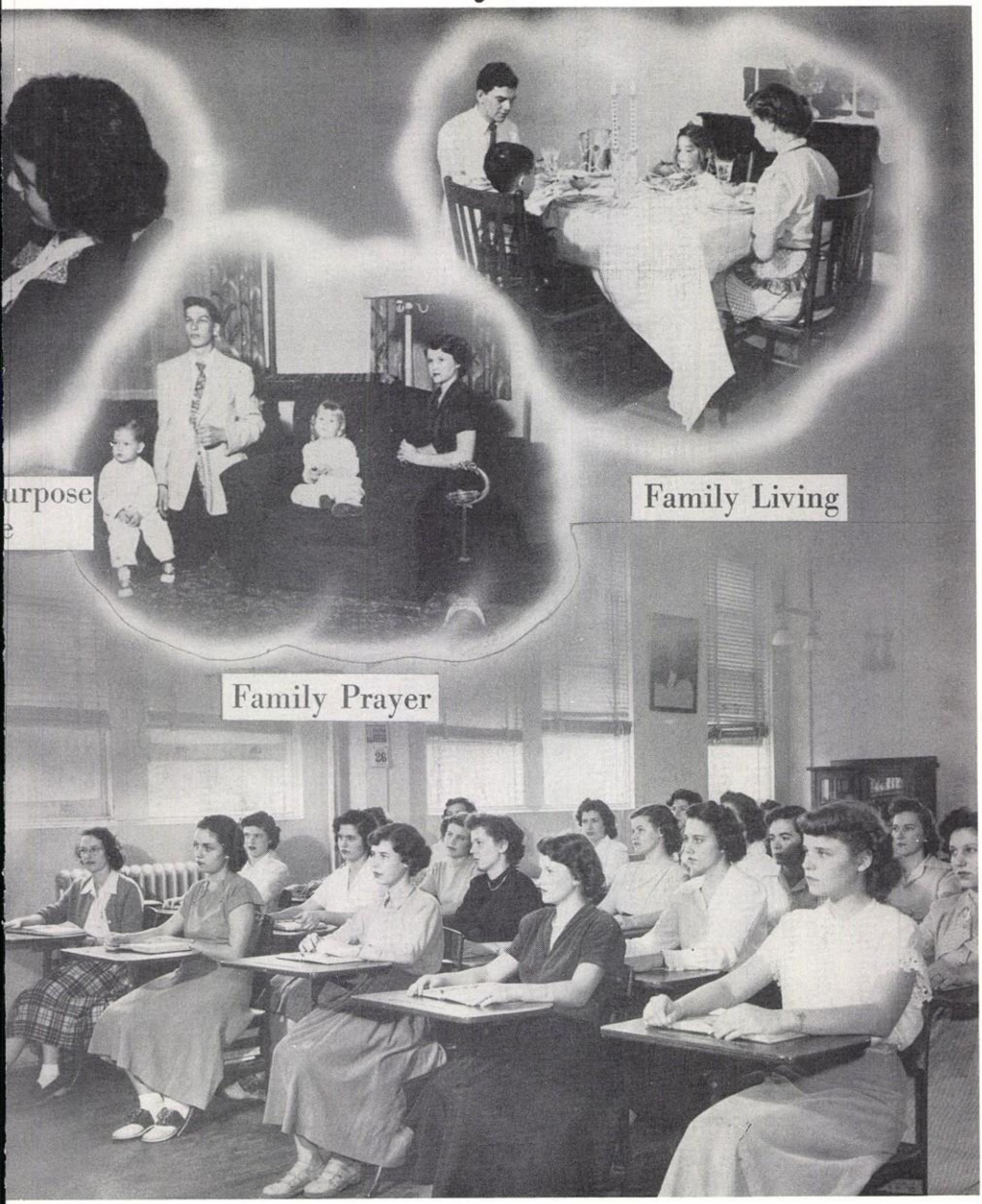


One phase of the entire pr

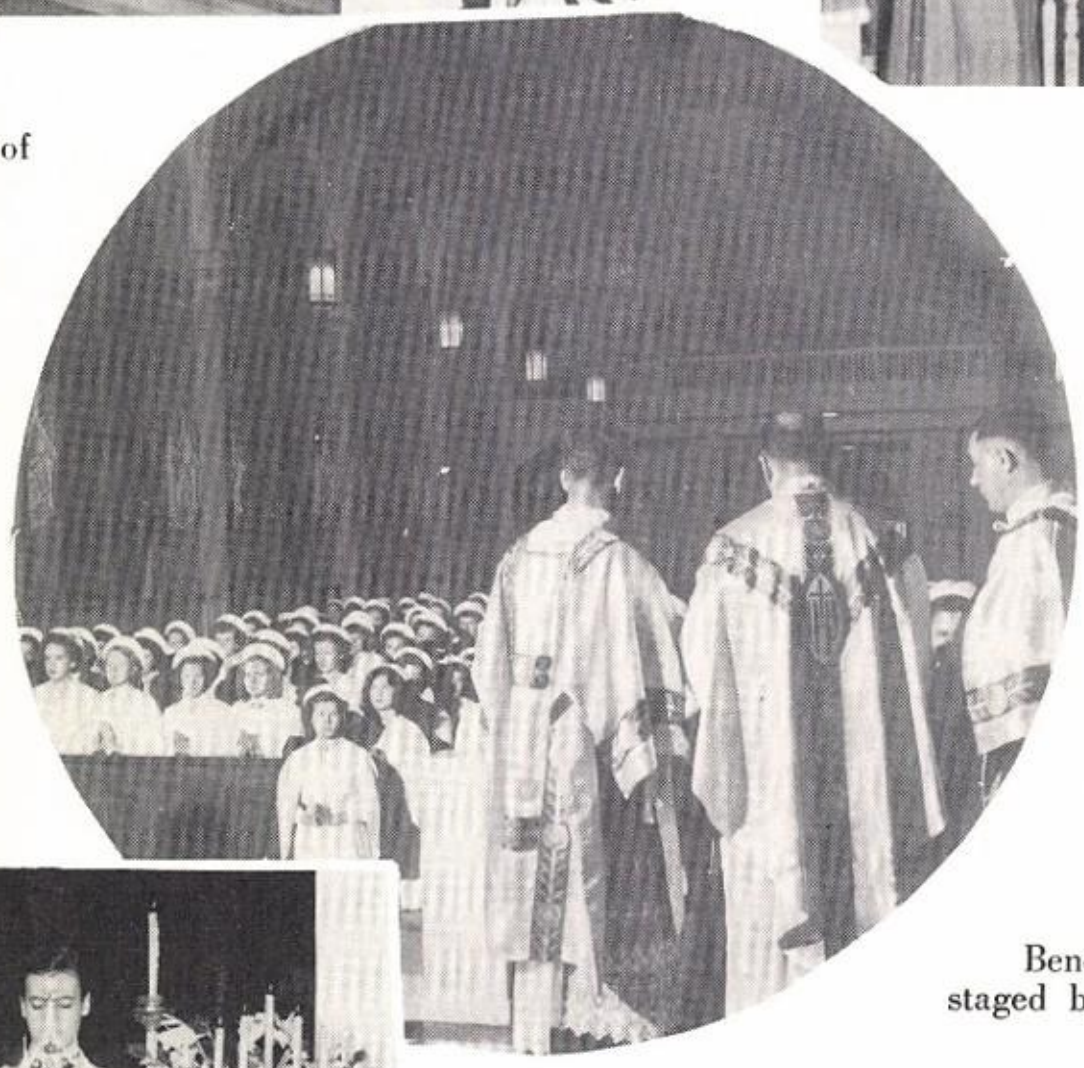
...ian Family Living



...gram, the quest for happiness

Reception into the sodality

Installation of officers



Sodality Communion in the Cathedral during Forty Hours

Benediction demonstration staged by Eucharistic

Marilyn and Murlene are never too busy for their "Three Minutes a Day" spiritual reading

RELIGION DAILY

Dale notes down her spiritual progress as she makes her particular examen, a project popular among the P. C. H. girls.

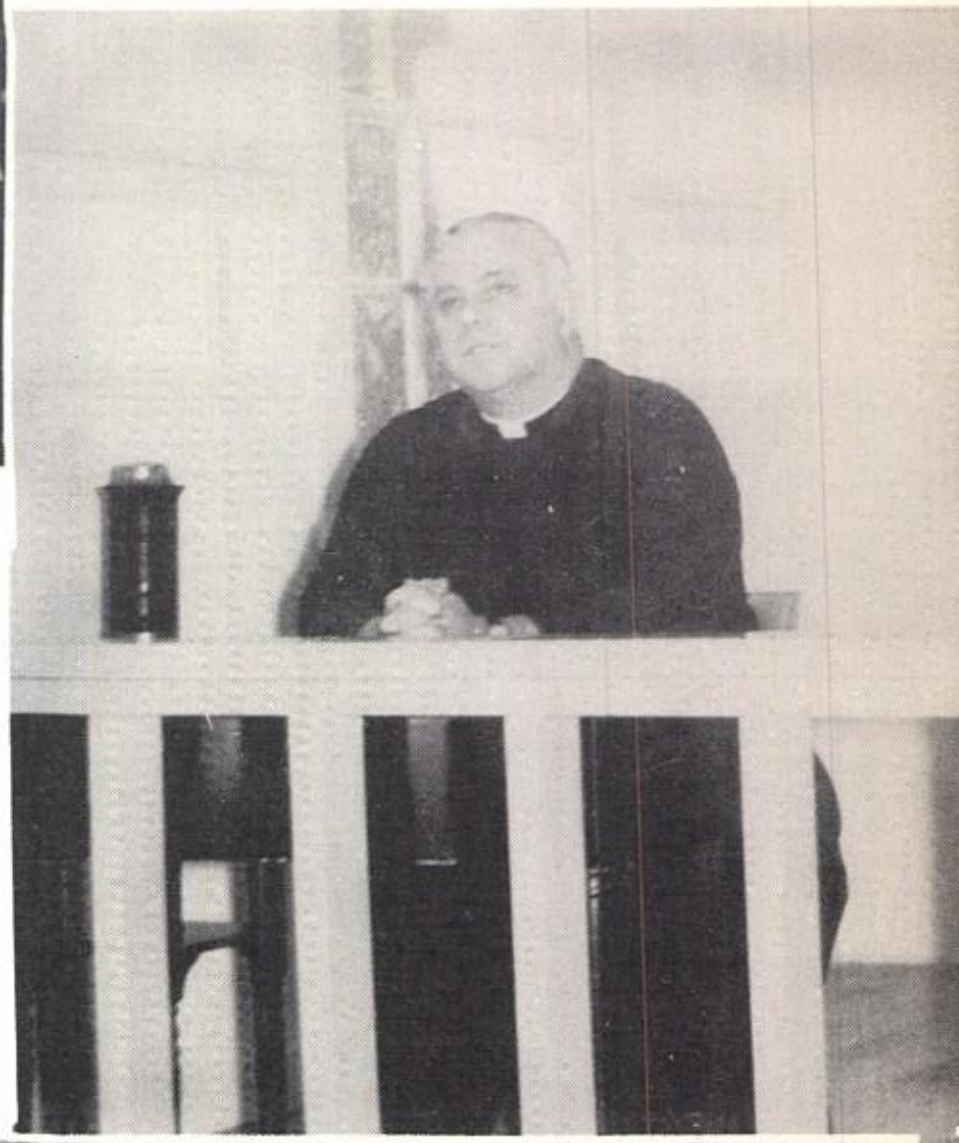
Ann seeks spiritual advice from Monsignor

Sodalists visit with Our Lord during leisure moments.

Sodalists receive Holy Communion in the Cathedral

P. C. H'ers join Monsignor in making the rosary better known over KSYL.

Opening ceremony, the Burning of the Bridges



SENIOR RETREAT

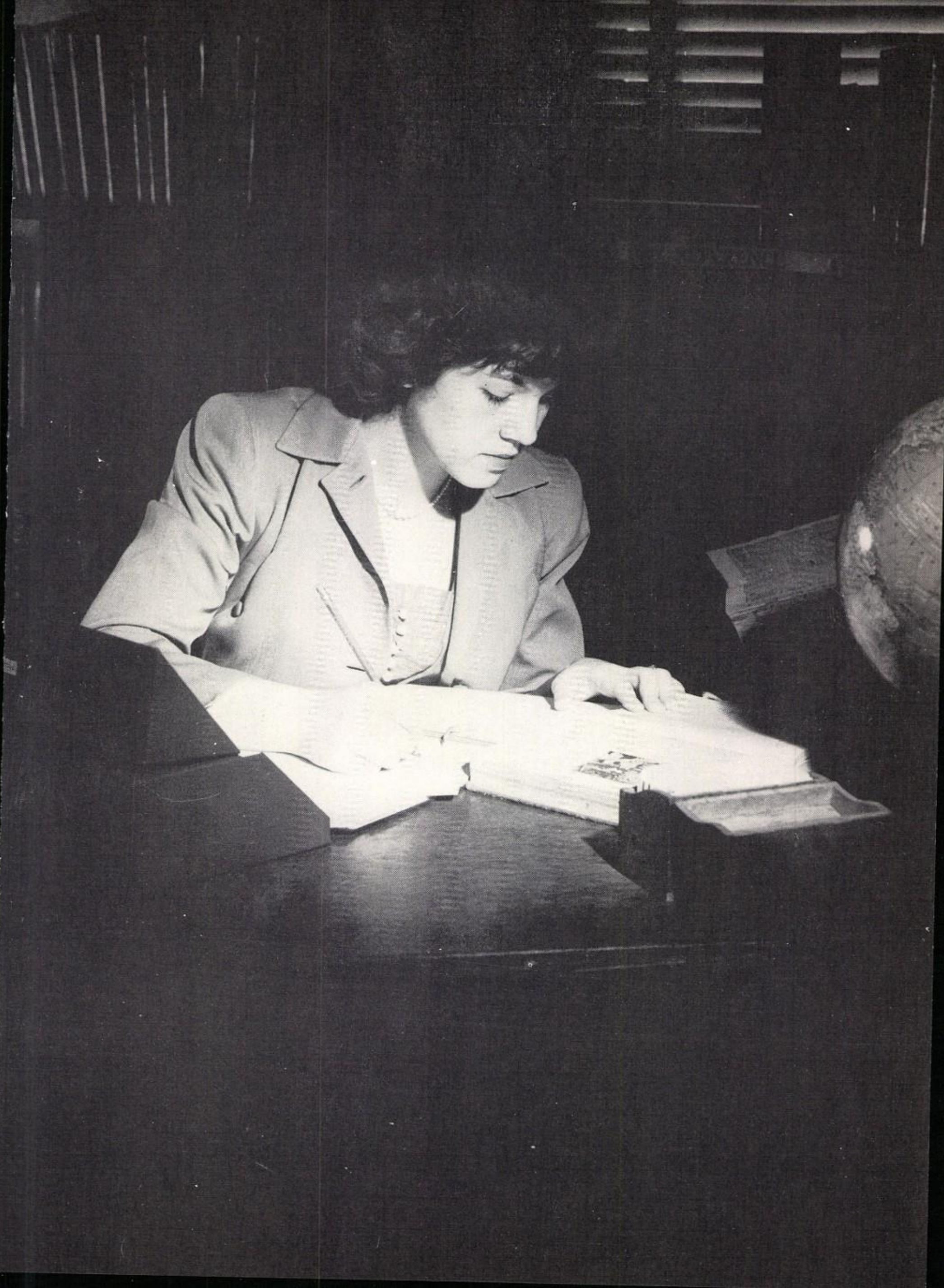
Closing ceremony, renewing baptismal vows and lighting new candles

Miss Providence Develops

INTELLECTUALLY

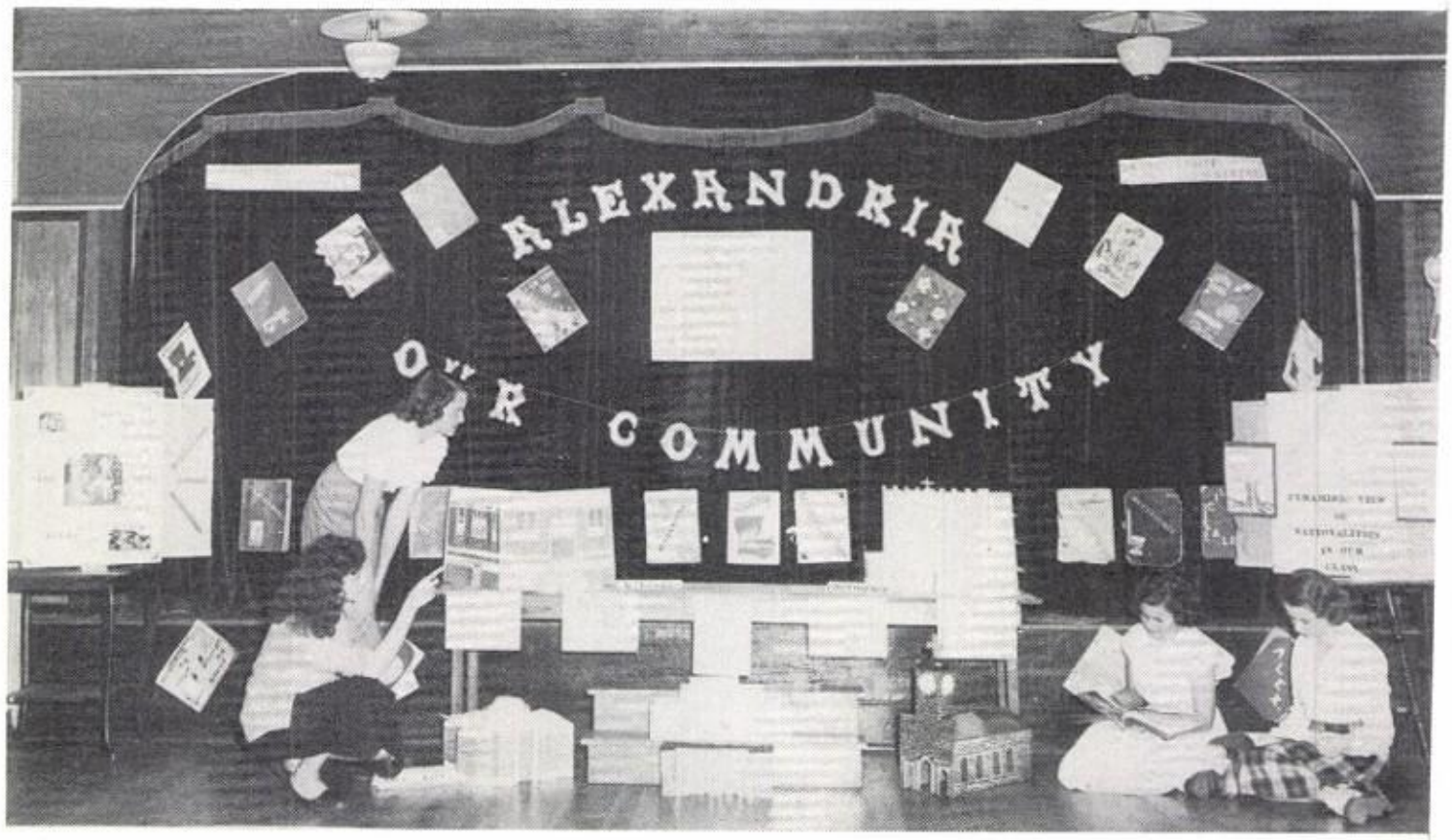
"And putting on the new, him who is renewed unto knowledge, according to the image of Him that created him."— Col. 3, 10

The intellectual development of Miss Providence can be compared to a tiny seed planted during the spring of the year . . . Throughout the student's training, she is placed in the hands of competent teachers, who are eager to nourish her tender mind with intellectual truth. . . . Her instructors know that she is of God; and it is their every desire to fashion her to Him so that in the harvest of her schooling she may go out into the world, equipped with that unselfish desire to share her truths with others.



Patsy traces the origin of slavery in America in a panel discussion on the slave question.

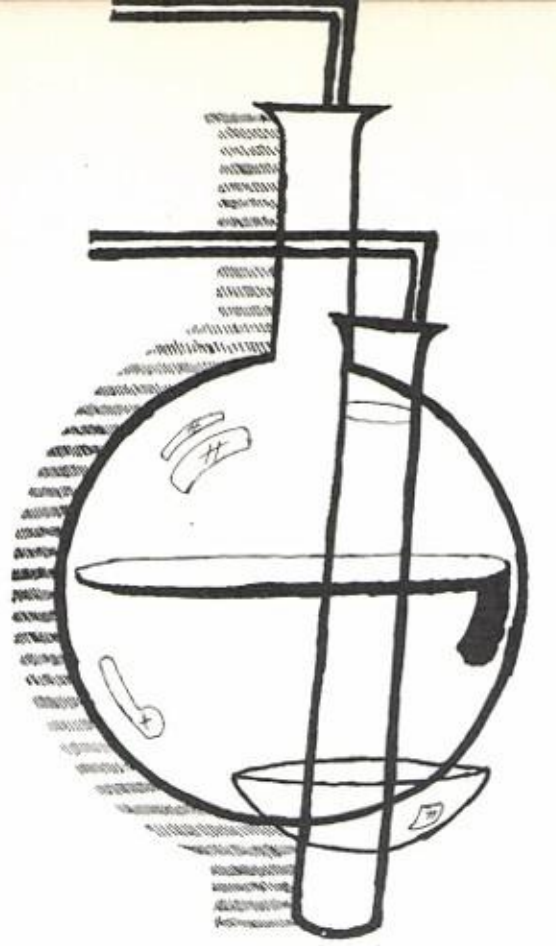
SOCIAL STUDIES



Civic students find new interest in their city as they look over their display.

Mr. Fred Carruth addresses classes of social studies on current community events.

SCIENCE AND MATH

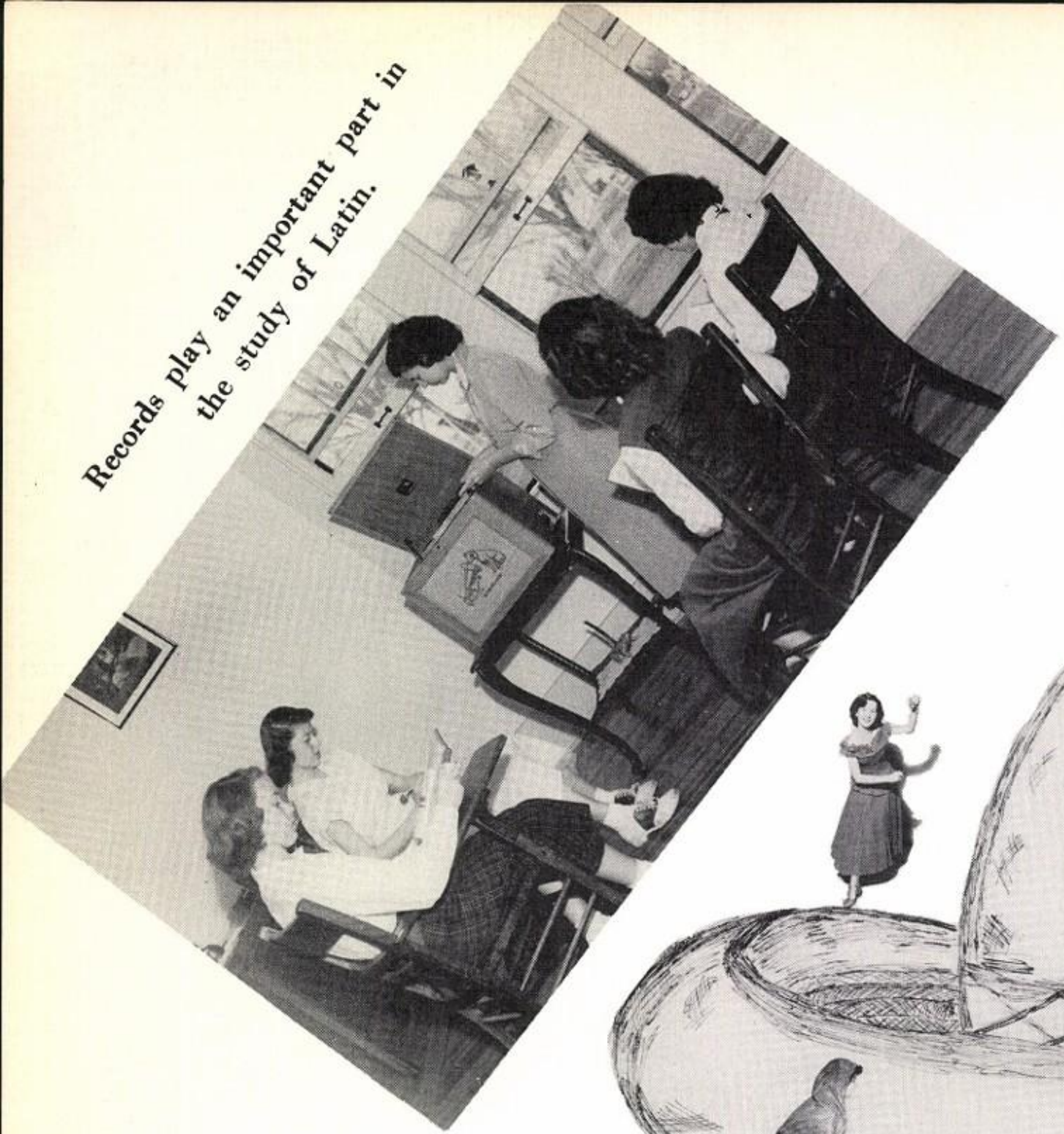


ALGEBRA CLASS AT WORK

Taking geometry
out of the classroom
to the campus

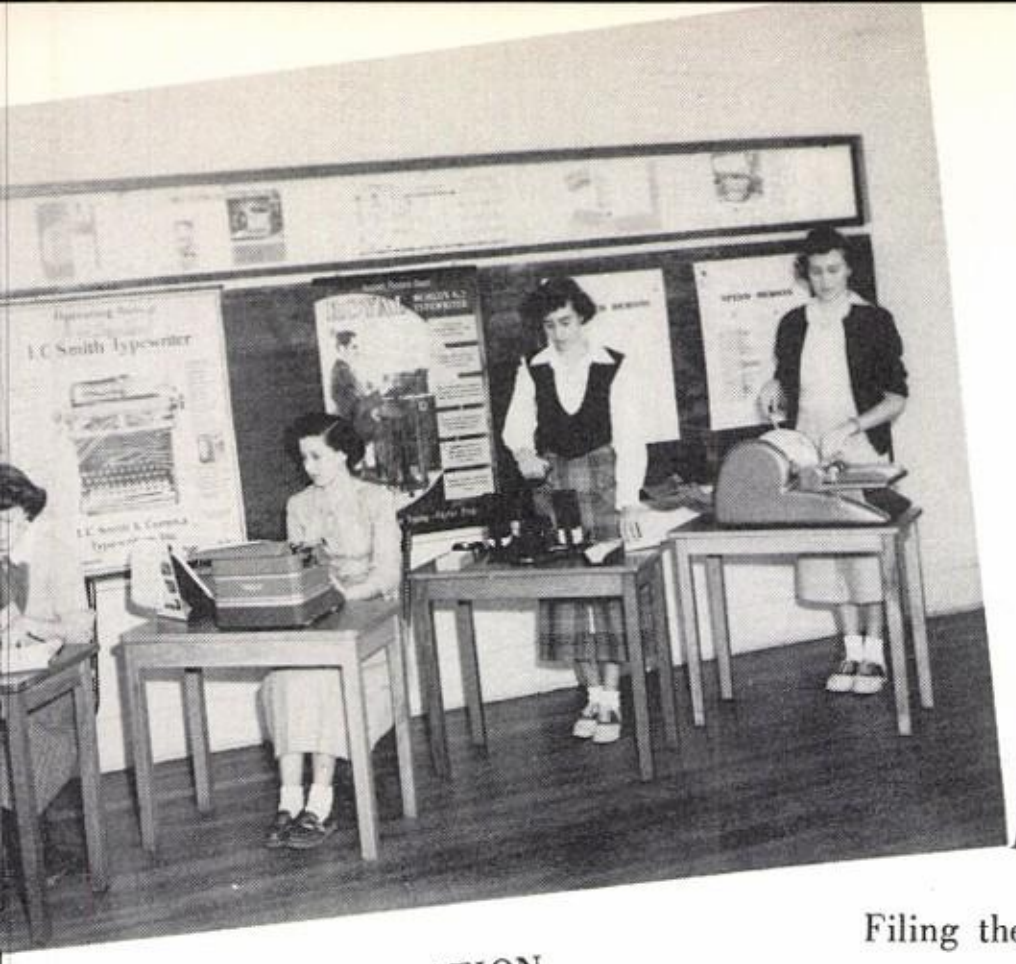
Amateur Photographers
relax from
valences and equations

Records play an important part in the study of Latin.



Spanish students "live their study" in demonstrating the country's folk dancing

Voulez-vous votre cafe au lait ou noir?



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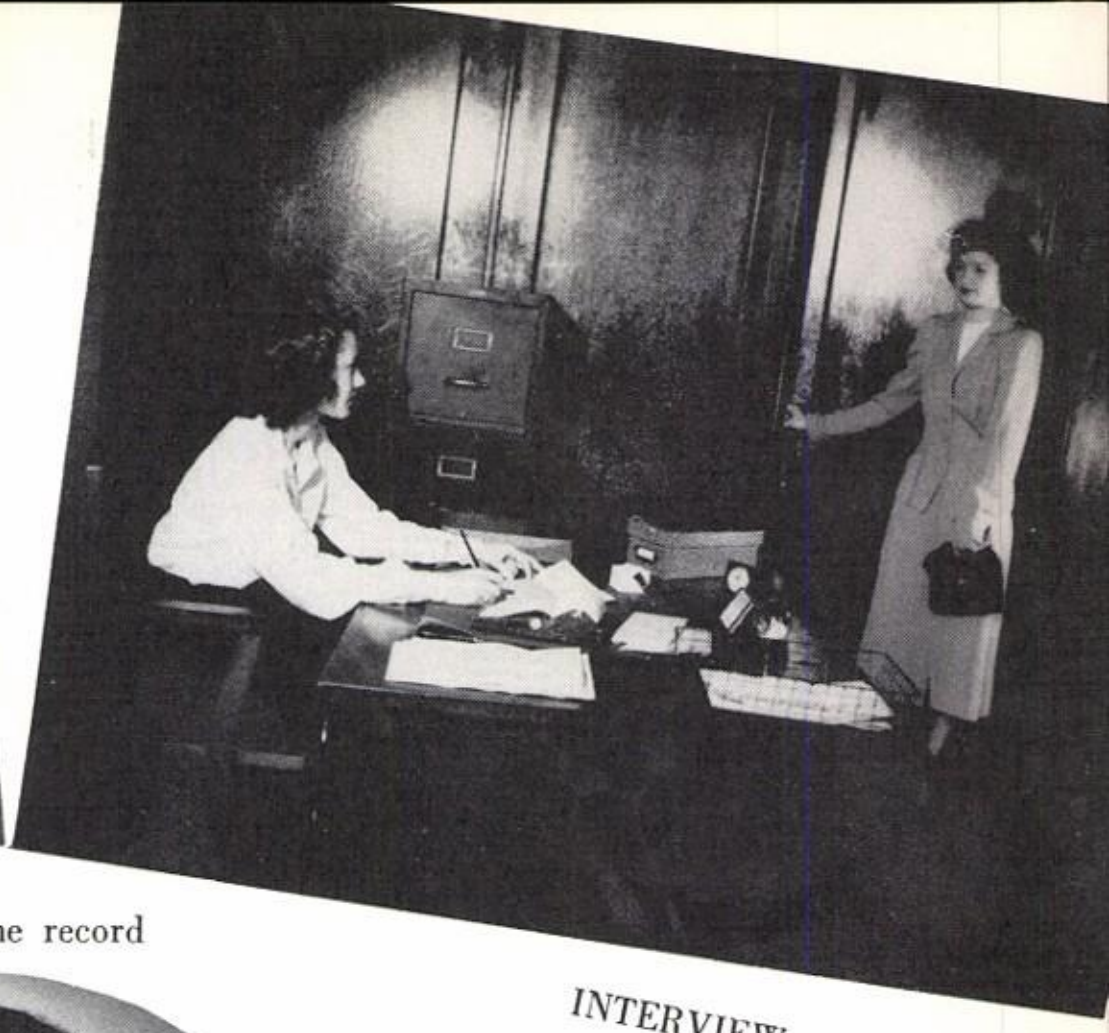


Filing the record

INTERVIEW

BUSINESS

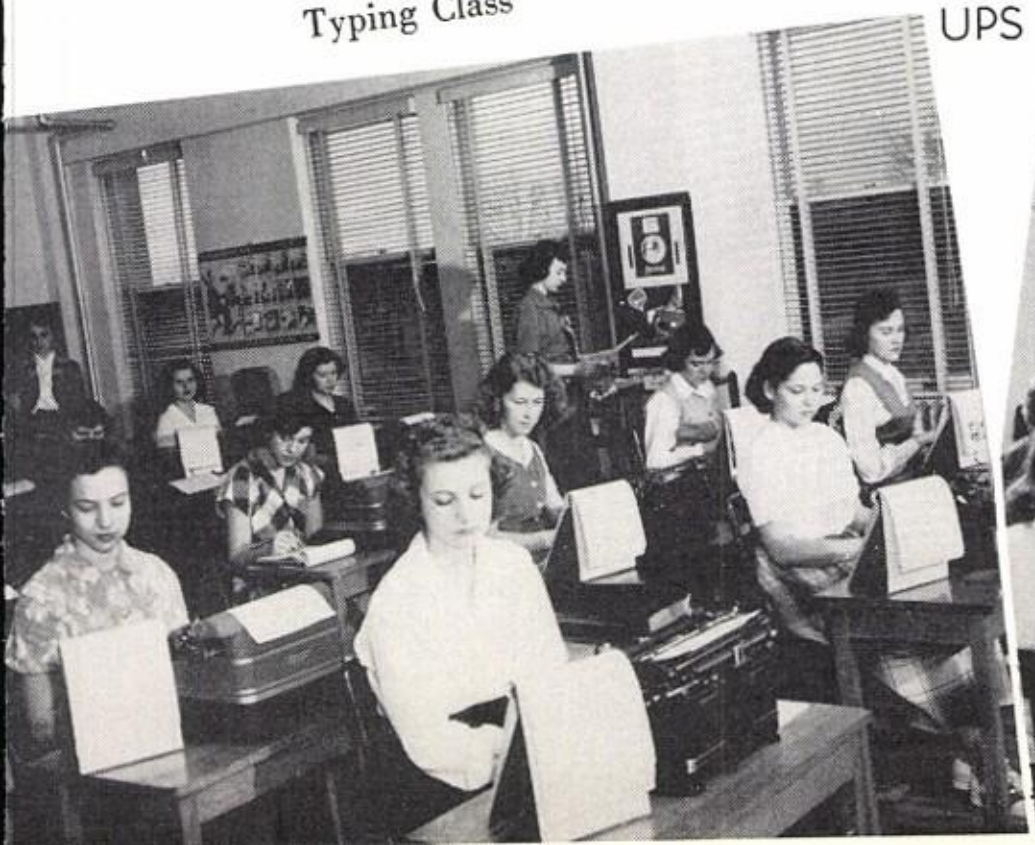
Typing an assignment

CLOSE UPS

EDUCATION

Transcribing the dictation

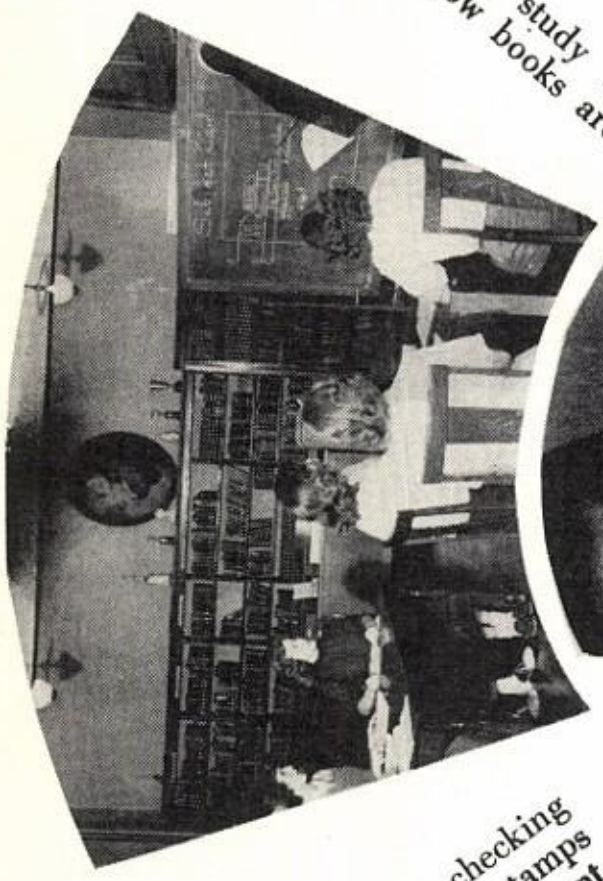
Typing Class



Shorthand demonstration at the board

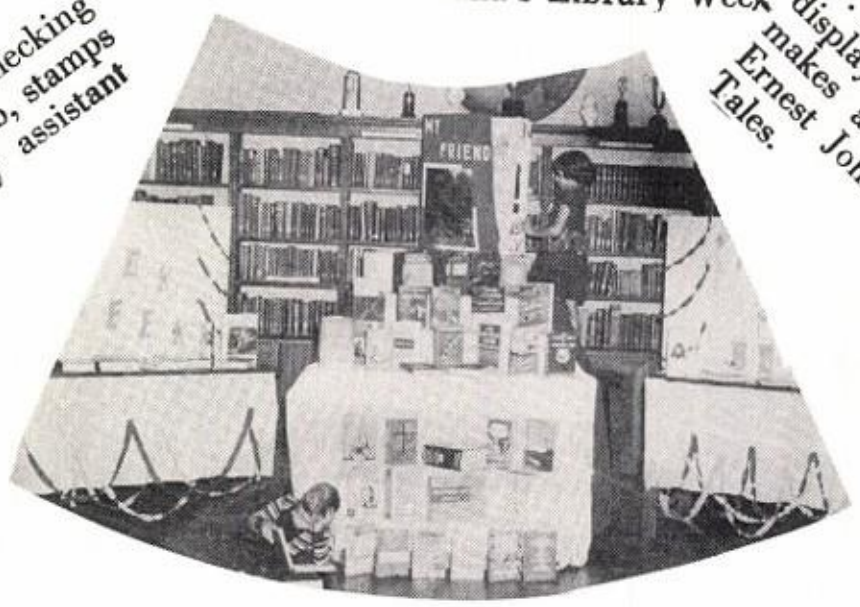
The Library Club Interests Students

II. Library club members study the card catalog and learn how books are prepared.



III. Mary Jane enjoys classifying new books with the electric stylus, while Jane types cards.

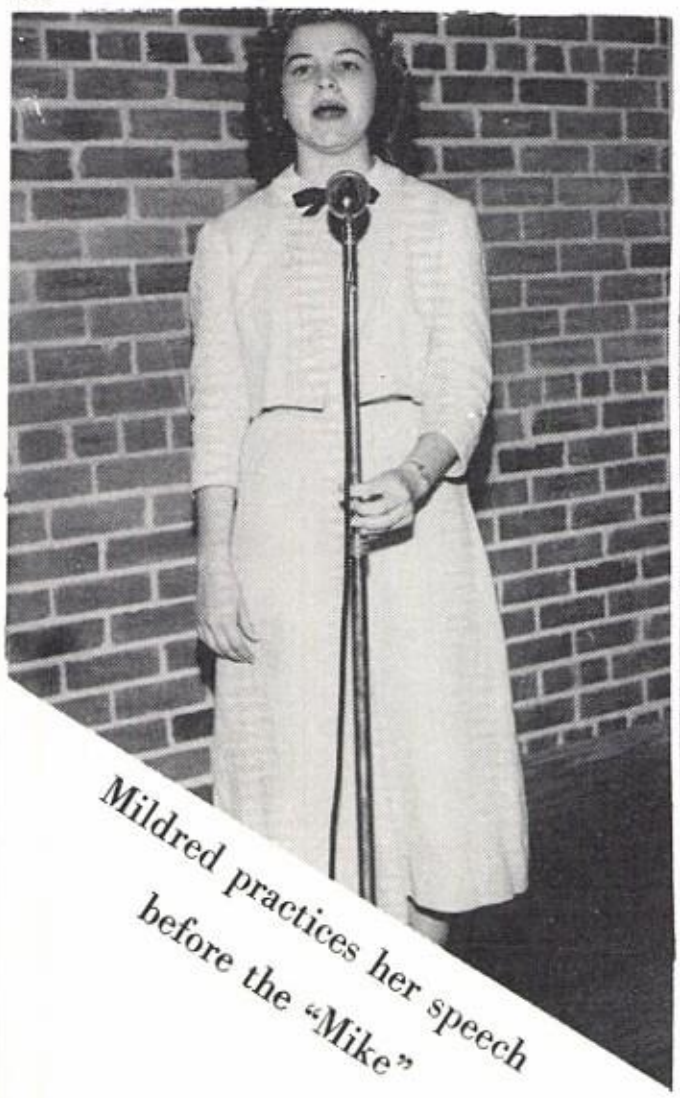
I. Nancy reads Governor Long's Proclamation of Louisiana's Library Week



IV. After the processing, new books are displayed in the library. Little Patsy makes a friend with the giant book. Ernest John settles for Grimm's Fairy Tales.

V. Books are now ready for checking out. Patsy, president of the club, stamps the book. Audrey, a library assistant shelves books.

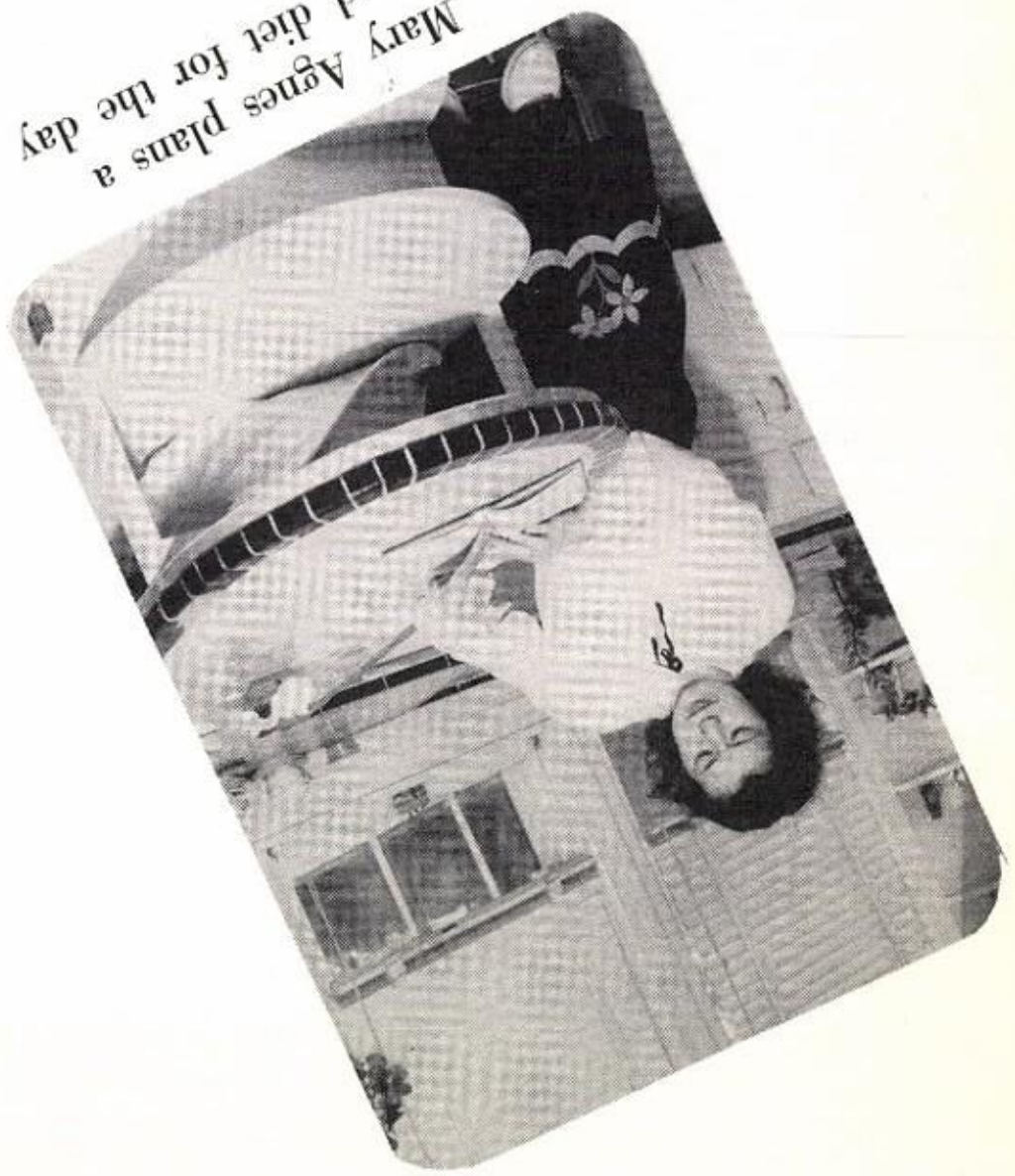
The pages of Jane Eyre
unfold upon the screen
for English classes



Mildred practices her speech
before the "Mike"

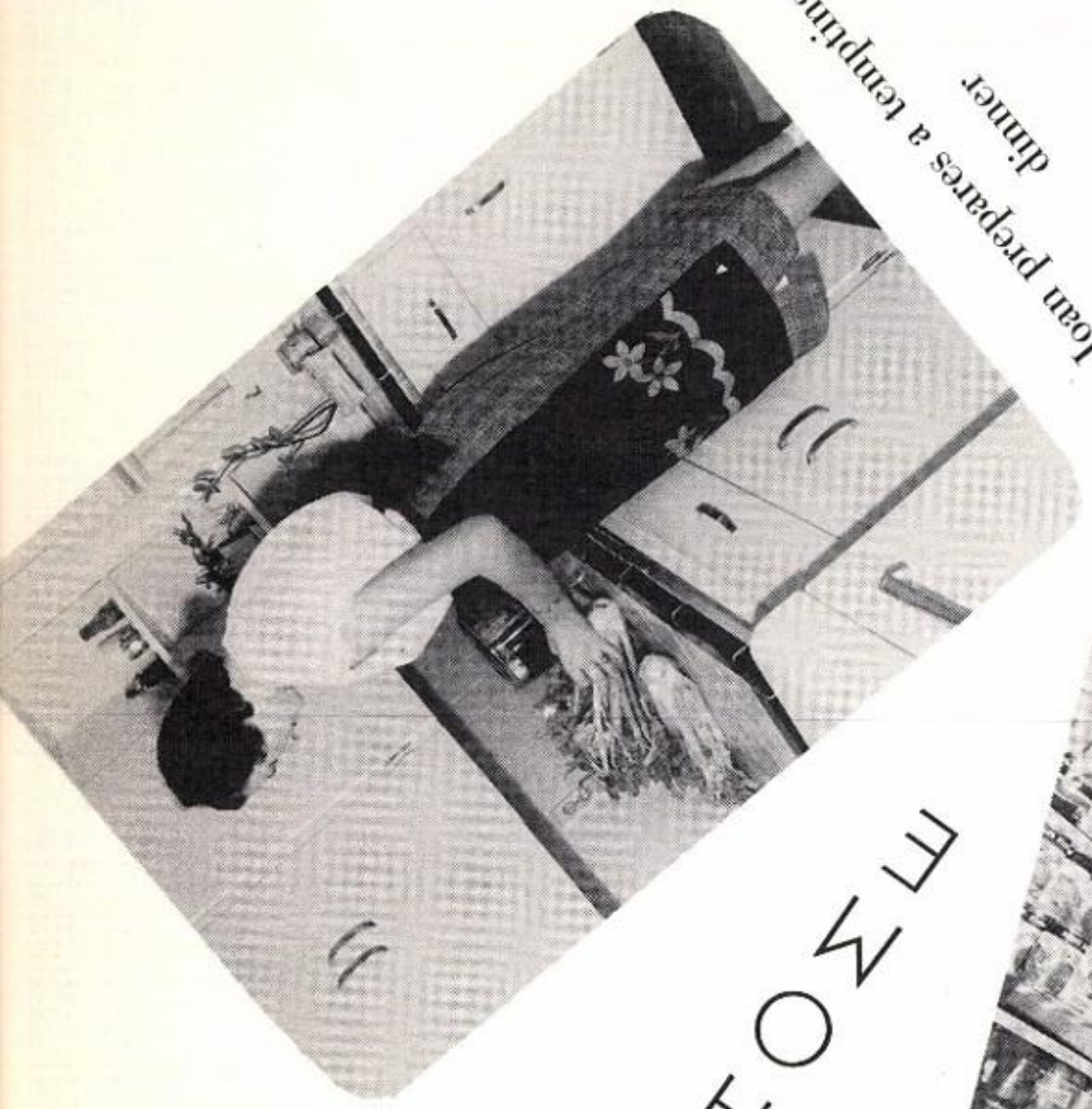
Mickey wins the Bishop Greco Medal again in the
elimination oratorical contest

Mrs. Westerchill conducts a



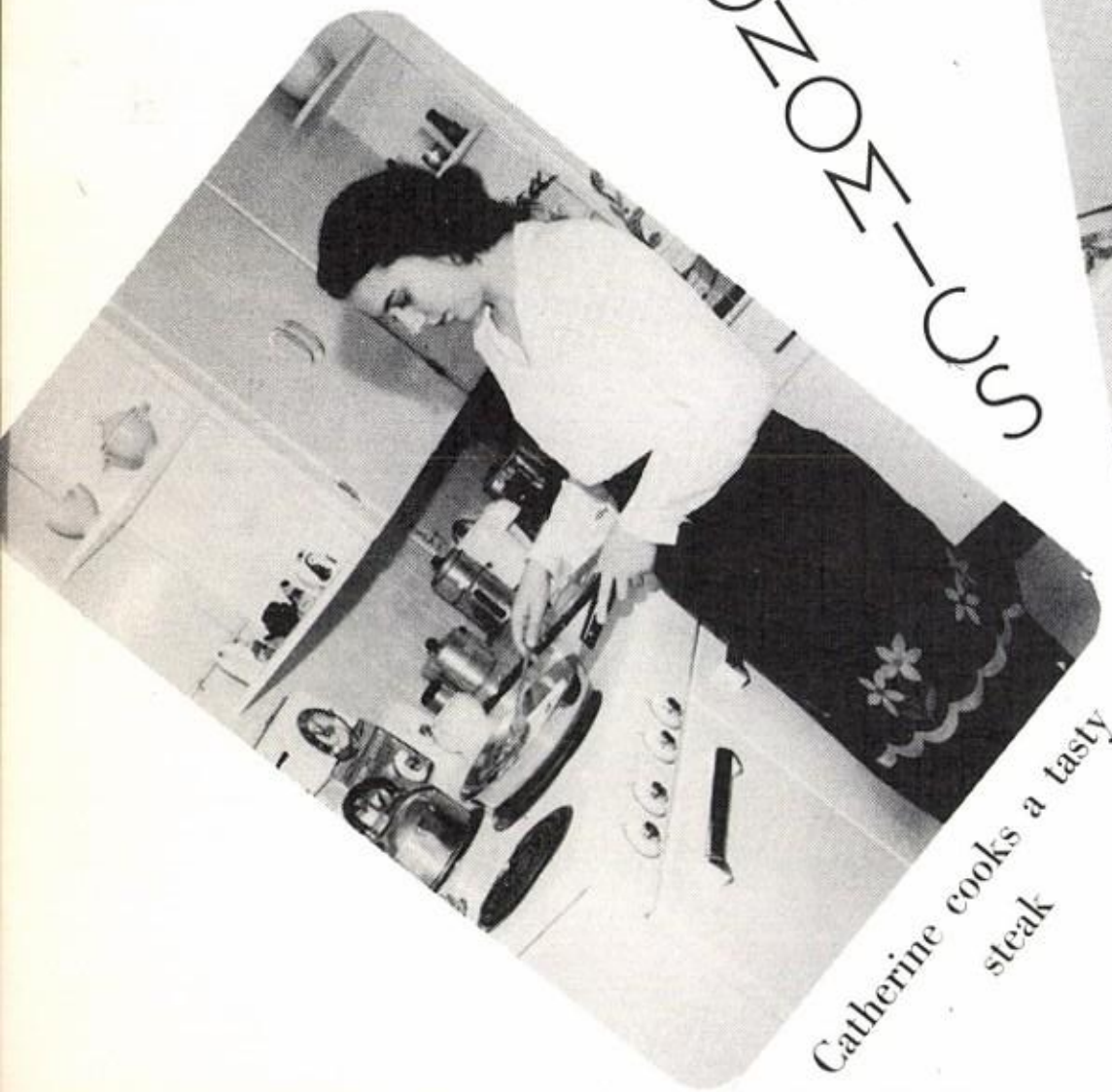
Mary Agnes plans a balanced diet for the day

Colysta learns the art of careful buying



Joan prepares a tempting dinner

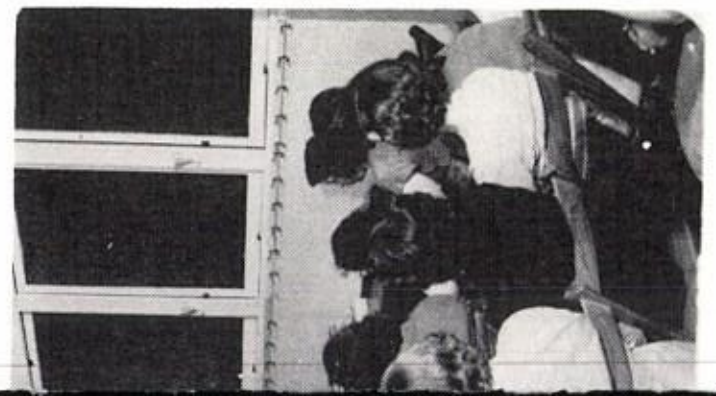
HOME



Catherine cooks a tasty steak

Shirley learns how to use her pattern correctly

Yolanda makes progress with her curtains

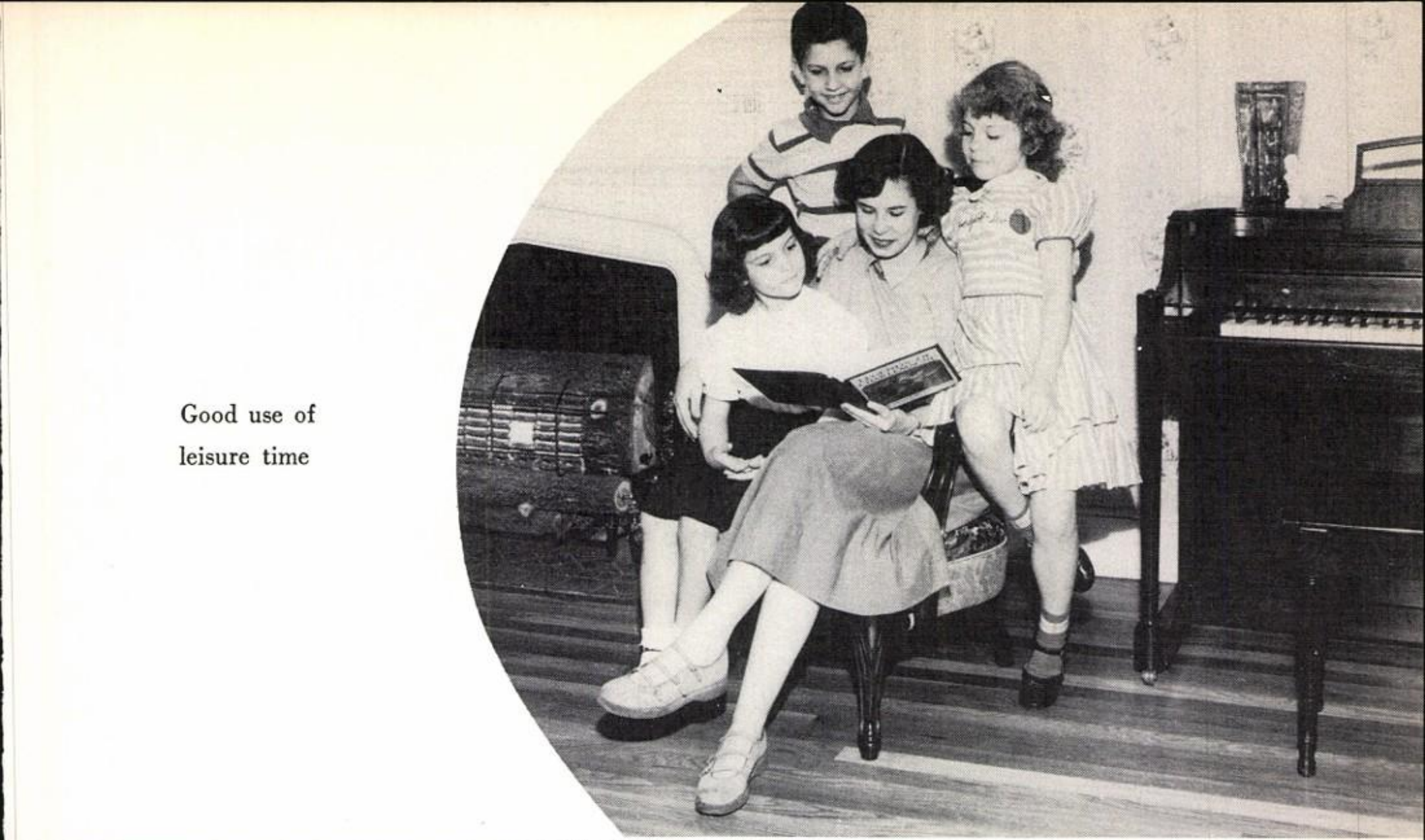


Home Economics Class

CHILD CARE

HOME NURSING

Good use of
leisure time



The family—the basic unit of society

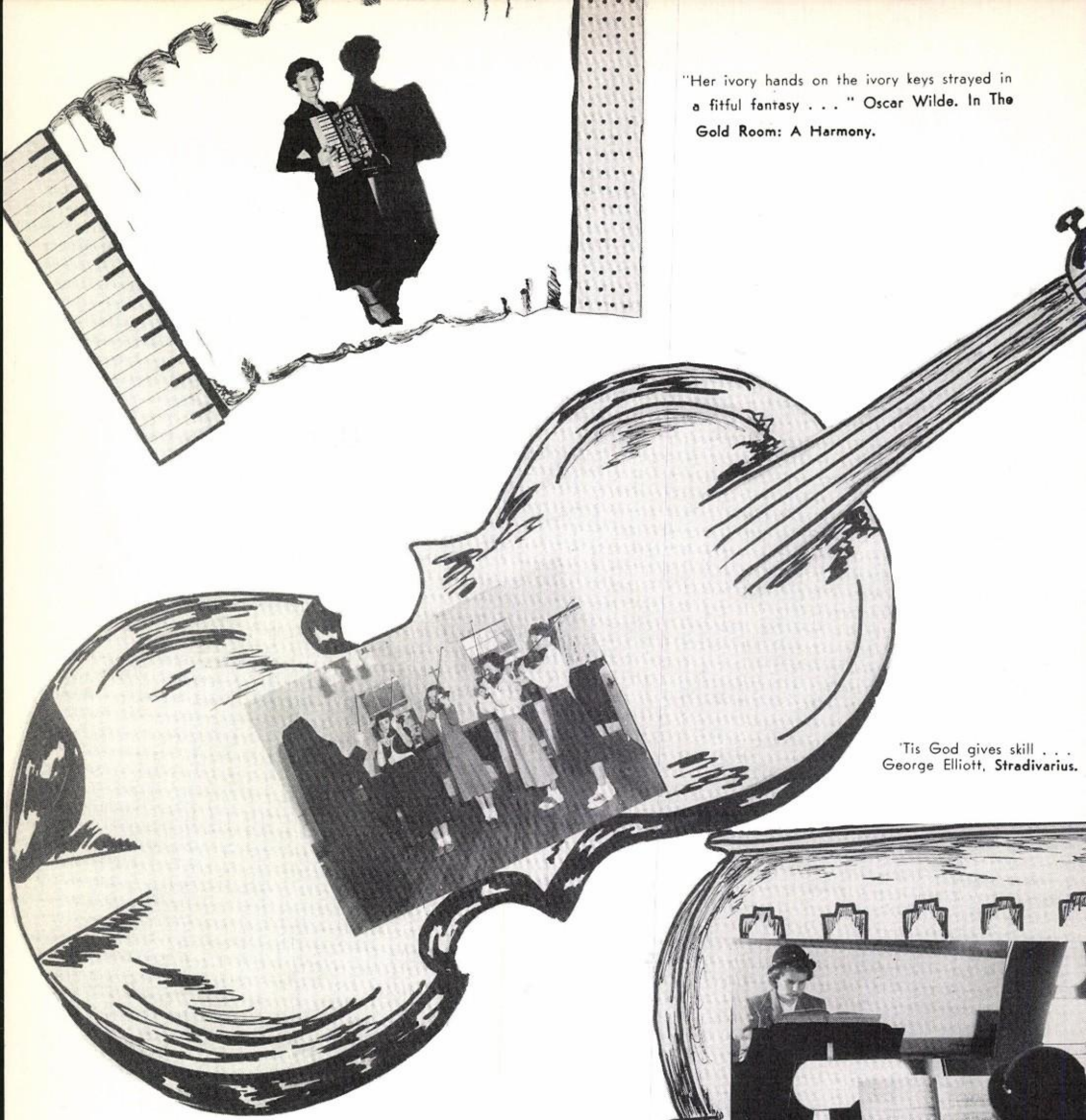
Miss Providence Develops

CULTURALLY

"So let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." — *Matt.* 5, 16

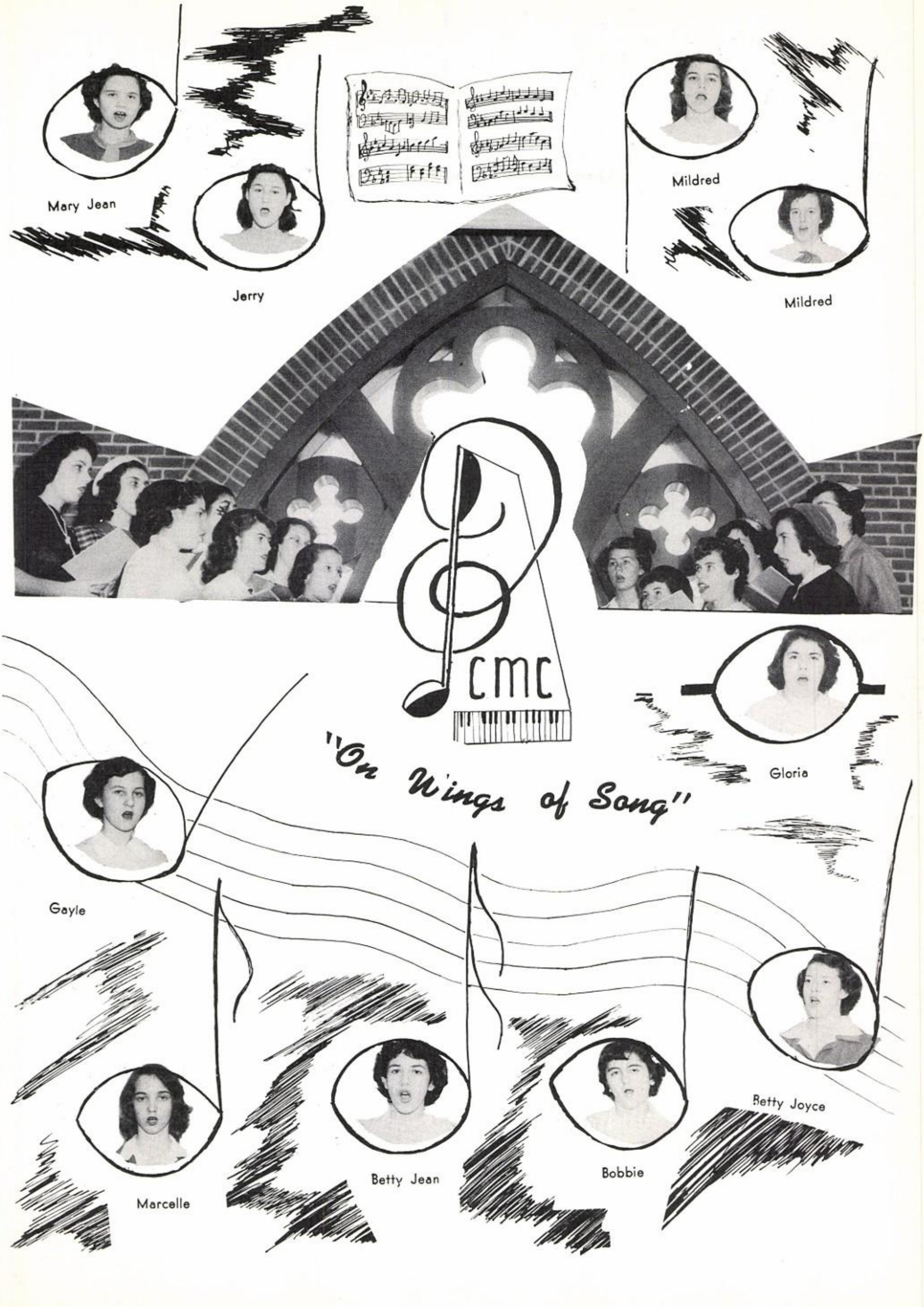
True culture is being Christlike, radiating Christ, showing forth the talents that Christ has so graciously bestowed upon His Creatures. . . The talents entrusted to Miss Providence are discovered and nurtured in her five years of study . . . Every opportunity is afforded her to display her abilities whether it be on the platform, in recital, or in the classroom . . . She is taught the true value of humility: bring the best that is in you and give the credit to God.

"Her ivory hands on the ivory keys strayed in a fitful fantasy . . . " Oscar Wilde. **In The Gold Room: A Harmony.**



'Tis God gives skill . . .
George Elliott, **Stradivarius.**

"Music strikes me in a deep fit of devotion, and a profound contemplation of the First Composer . . . " Sir Thomas Browne, **Religio Medici.**


Mary Jean
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"On Wings of Song"
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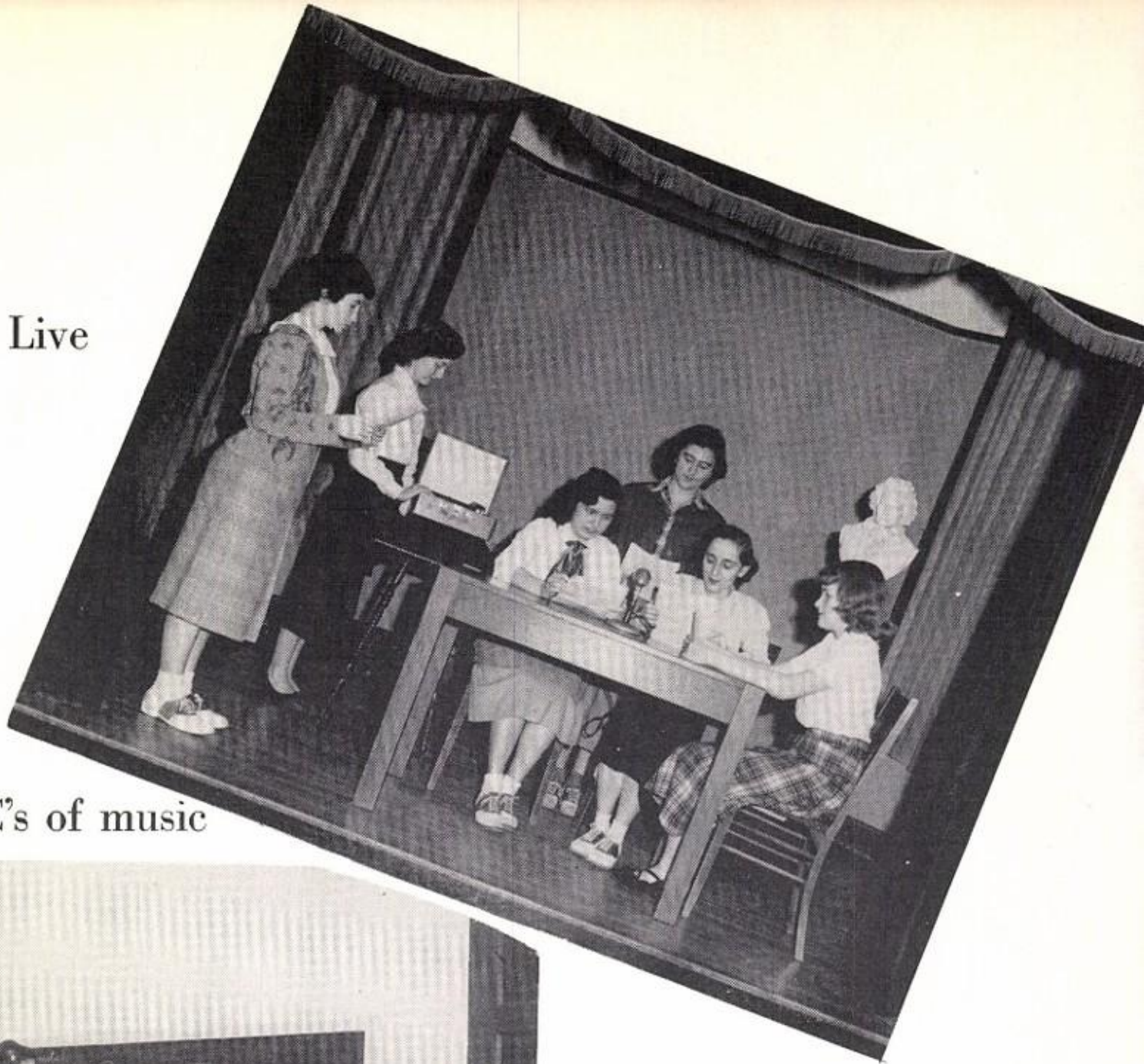
Betty Joyce

Making Beethoven Live Again

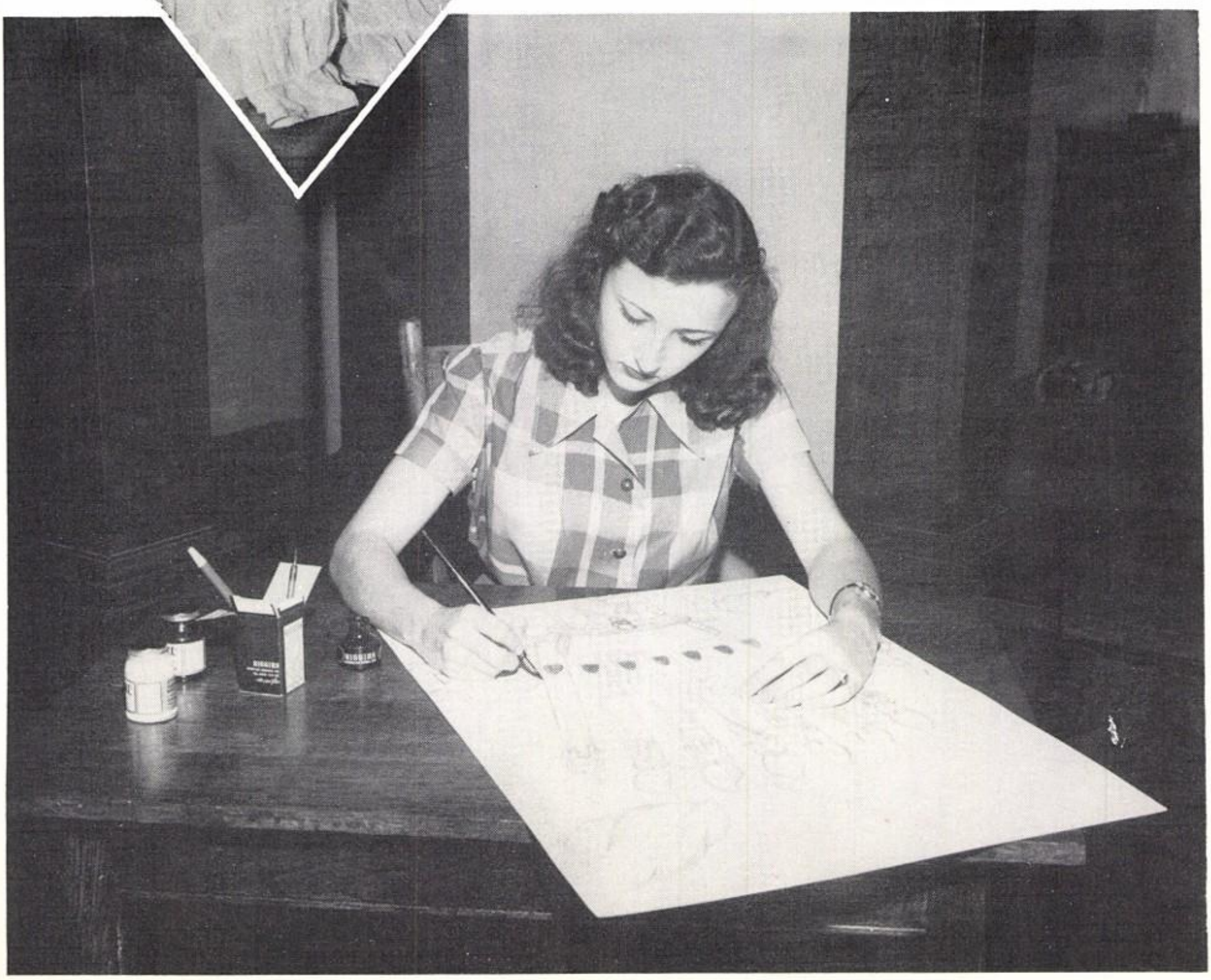


Learning the A B C's of music

Putting forth their best effort during practice

Nancy demonstrates the art of gracefulness in dance.

Frances puts her hobby to good use.

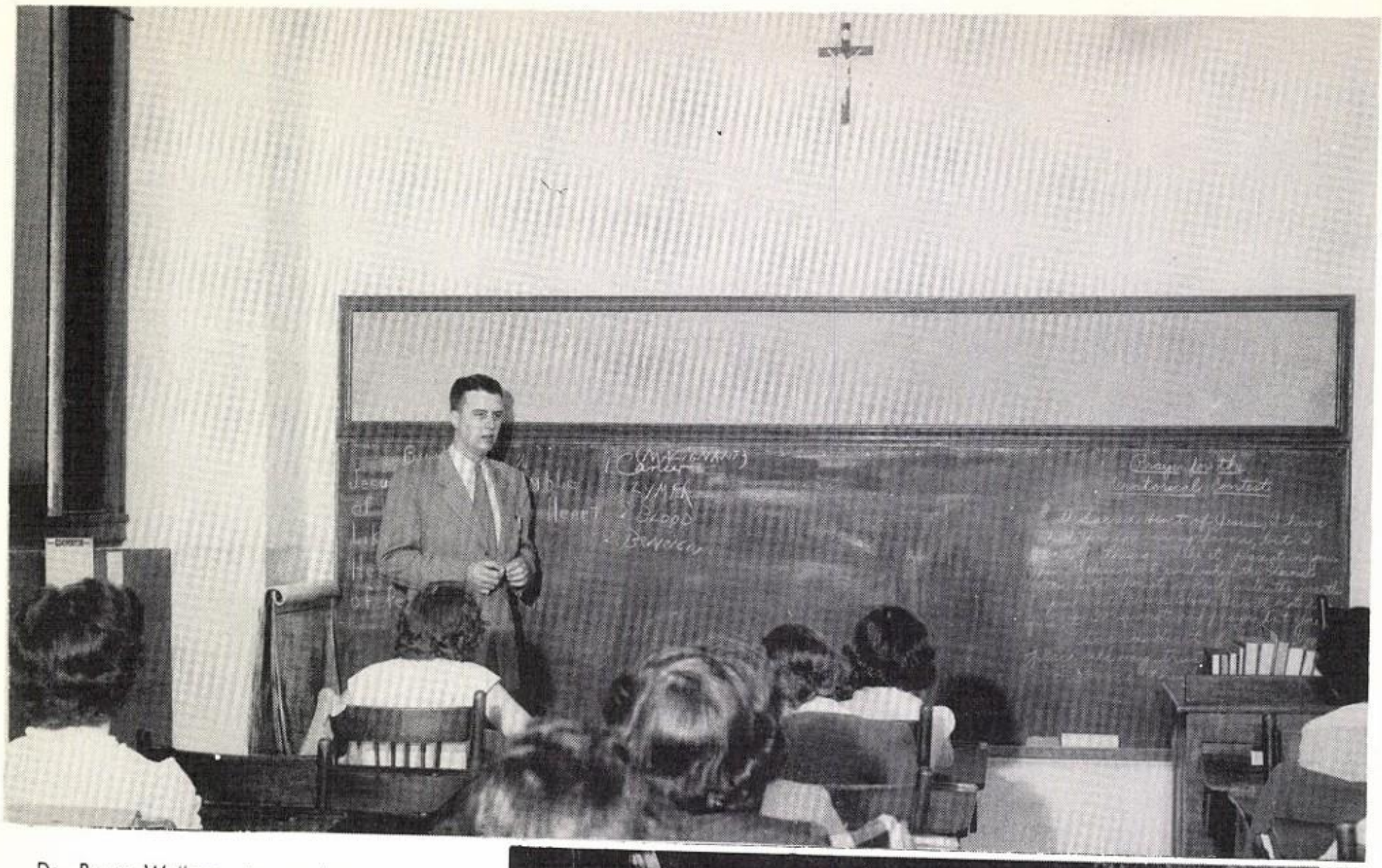


Miss Providence Develops

PHYSICALLY

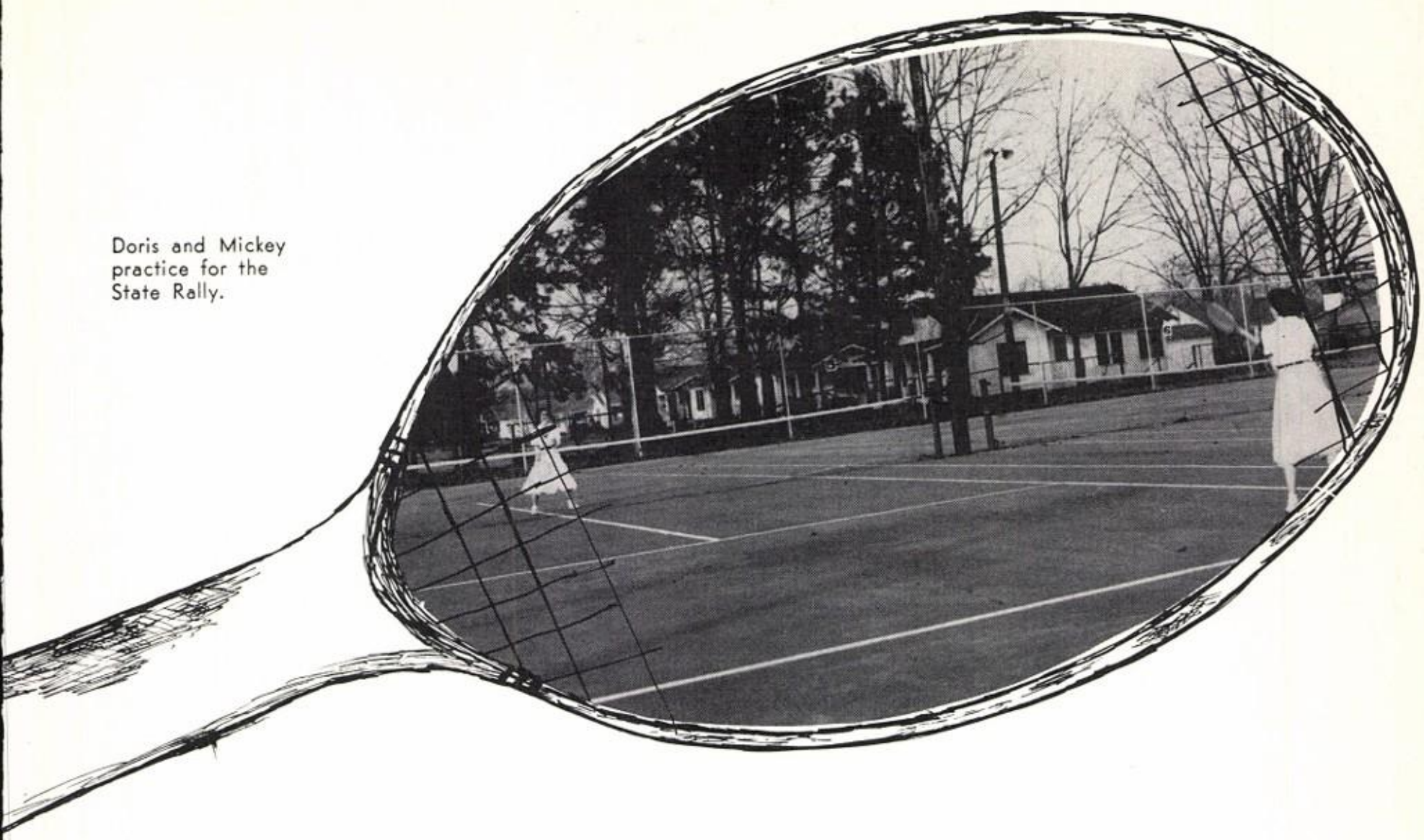
"And the child grew, and waxed strong, full of wisdom and the grace of God was in him."—Luke 2, 40

In compliance with the state, Miss Providence receives a healthful amount of physical exercise . . . She discovers that she can have fun and learn a lesson in citizenship simultaneously . . . Cooperative fair play is her goal. . . Besides physical training, she is likewise given lectures in mental and physical hygiene by medical doctors who, from the medical point of view, equip her with the knowledge that will make her family life a happy one.



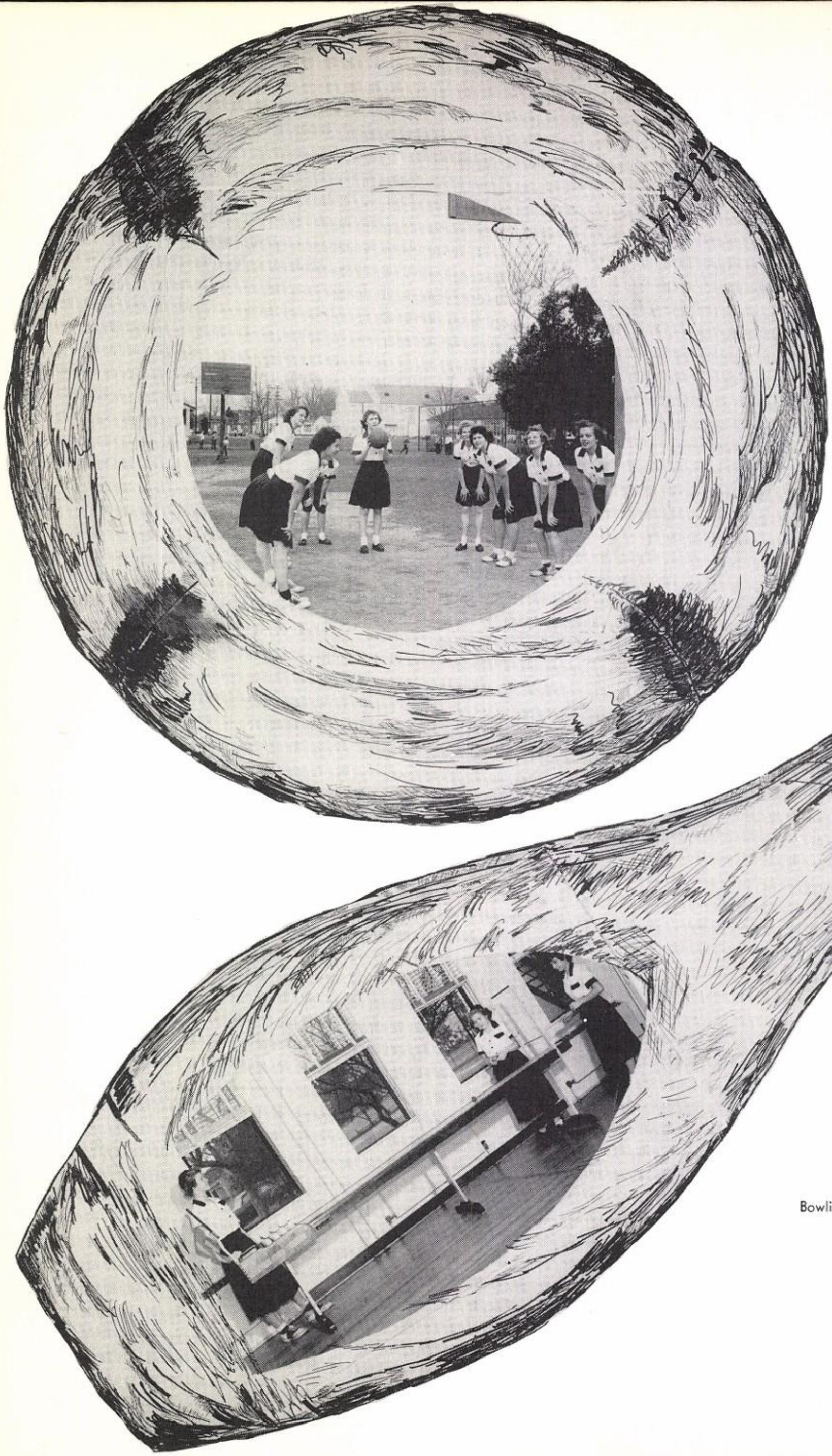
Dr. Bruce Wallace, Jr. conducts a class in health education.

A senior puts the theory of the class in practice.



Doris and Mickey practice for the State Rally.

Gertie proves that Cherokee is not only gentle but also "smart."



More Relaxation after gym practice.

Bowling in miniature.

Breathe deep!

Up, two, three!

After school relaxation

It's a strike!

Miss Providence Develops

SOCIALLY

"Blessed are the [illegible] of heart for they shall see God." — *Matt.* 5, 8

That life which does not know companionship is said to be maladjusted, since man by nature is a social being . . .Therefore, it is through the efforts of her teachers and environment that Miss Providence learns the art of living in society. . . She soon discovers that the family is society in miniature. . . Christian Family Living makes her a useful member of two great societies, the church and the state, thus preparing her for her future role, a citizen of heaven.

Folk dancing helps new and old students get acquainted

The noon hour provides an opportunity for Menardians to visit with Providence girls.

P. C. H. girls enjoy a social hour in the Green Room

The Menard Mardi Gras dance provides a good social hour for the boys and girls

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and
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irls

roast weiners at the barbecue pit

"Brain not brawn" wins this game, Doris and Henrietta demonstrate during the recreation period

CAROLYN · SHIRLEY · CYNTHIA ·

AND PAULINE CHUCKLE OVER

A GAME OF CANASTA

THE VALENTINE BUFFET SUPPER

IS ALWAYS A GREAT SOCIAL

EVENT FOR OUR GIRLS

SEASONAL
ACTIVITIES

Registration marks the beginning of an eventful school year.

Free lunches are
part of the daily
program of Providence
Central High and
Our Lady of Prompt Succor

Former St. Francis and Providence Academy girls get acquainted at the first Providence Central High Party at which Thelma Miller won the title of "Miss Howdy."

The Providentia Staff" is formed

The Editors
plan the dummy
Betty, Lynn, Pat,
and Doris Ann

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PROVINCE OF NEW ORLEANS

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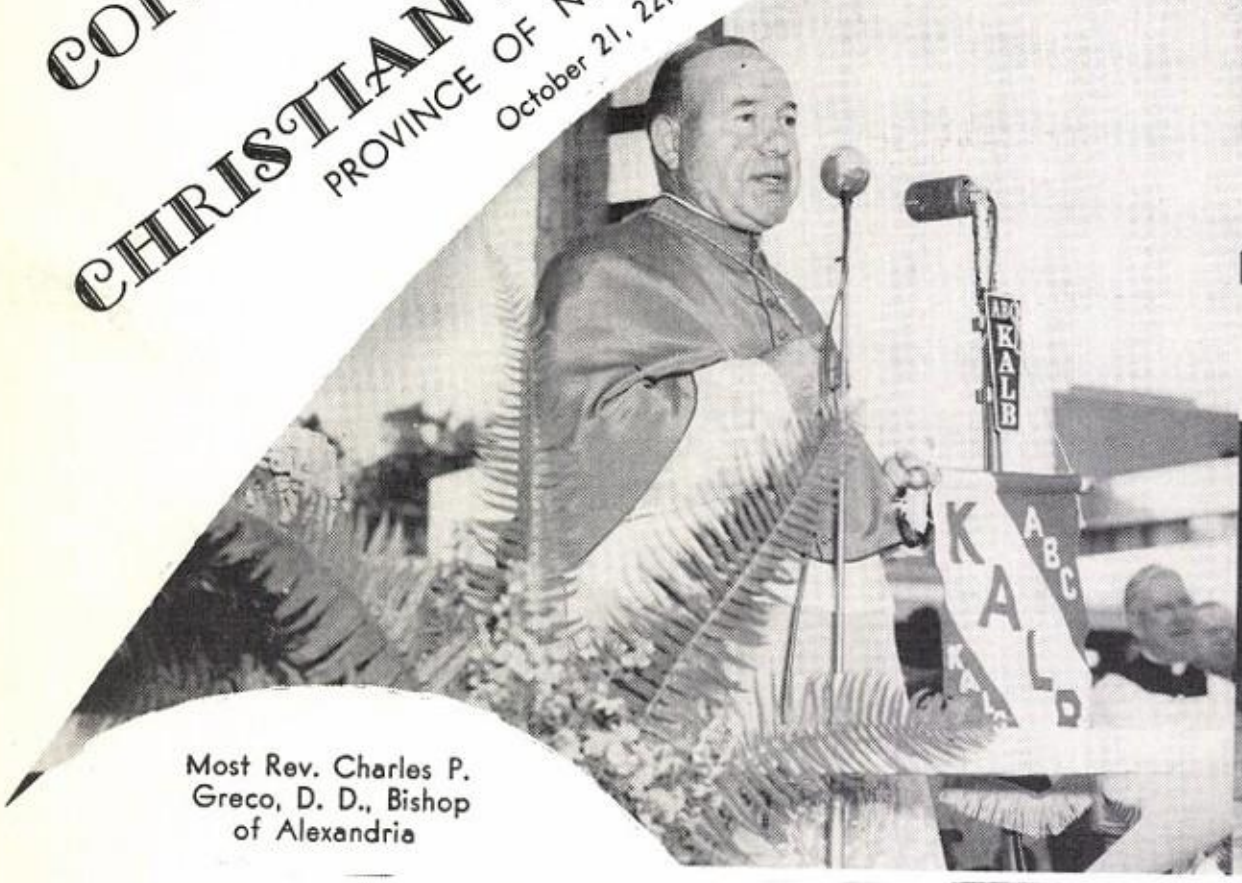


Most Rev. Charles P. Greco, D. D., Bishop of Alexandria

MARYHI

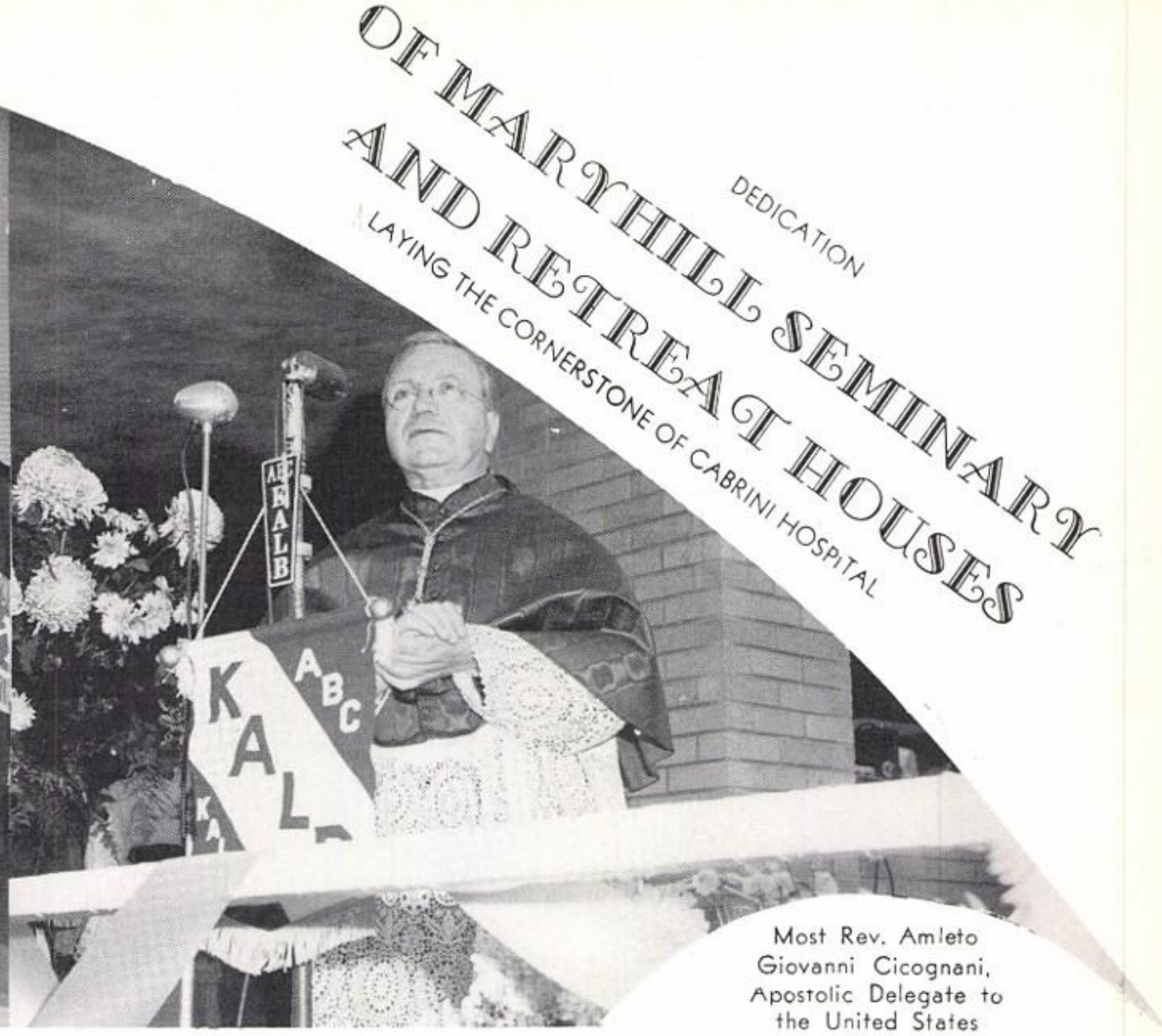
Sodalists of P. C. H. and Menard Memorial form the Living Rosary while thousands

OF MARYHILL SEMINARY AND RETREAT HOUSES

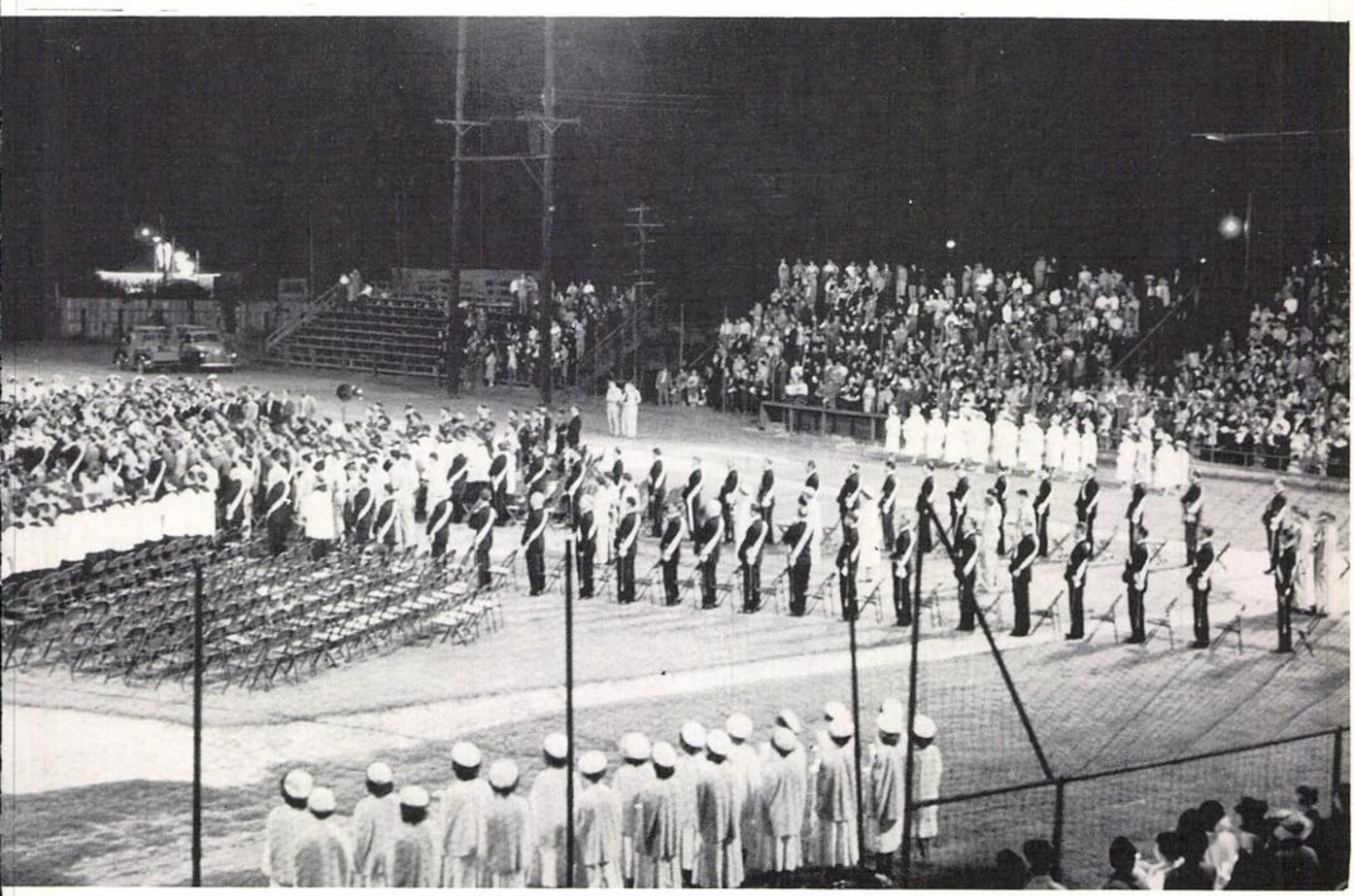
DEDICATION

LAYING THE CORNERSTONE OF CABRINI HOSPITAL

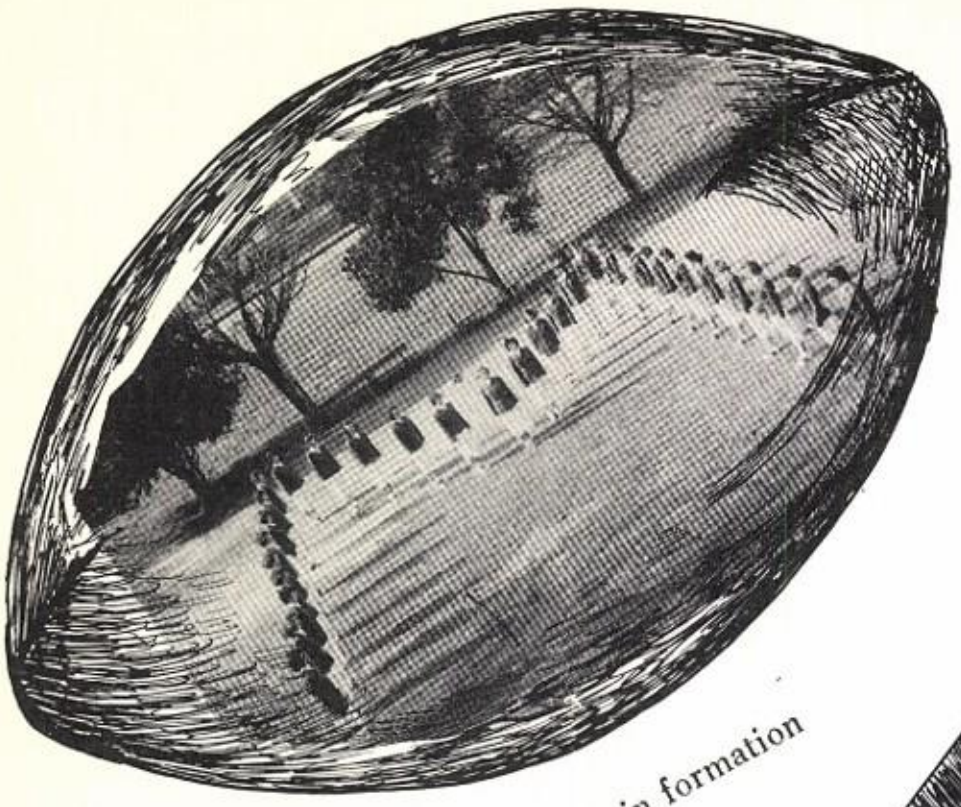
CHAPEL



Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States



of candles flicker in the bleachers on the occasion of the Christ the King Rally.



Boosters in formation

Cheerleaders

QUEEN

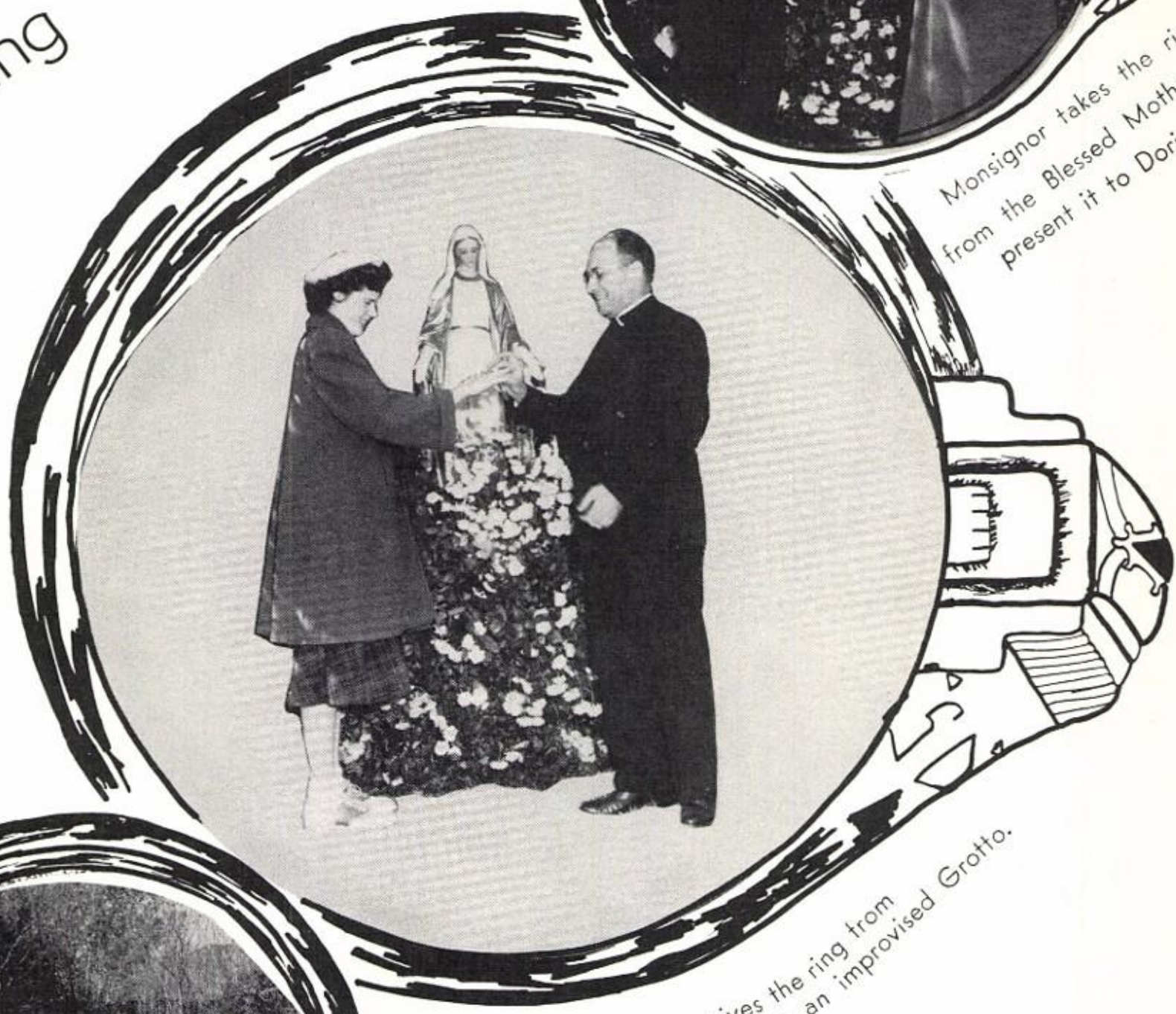
HOME COMING

AND HER COURT

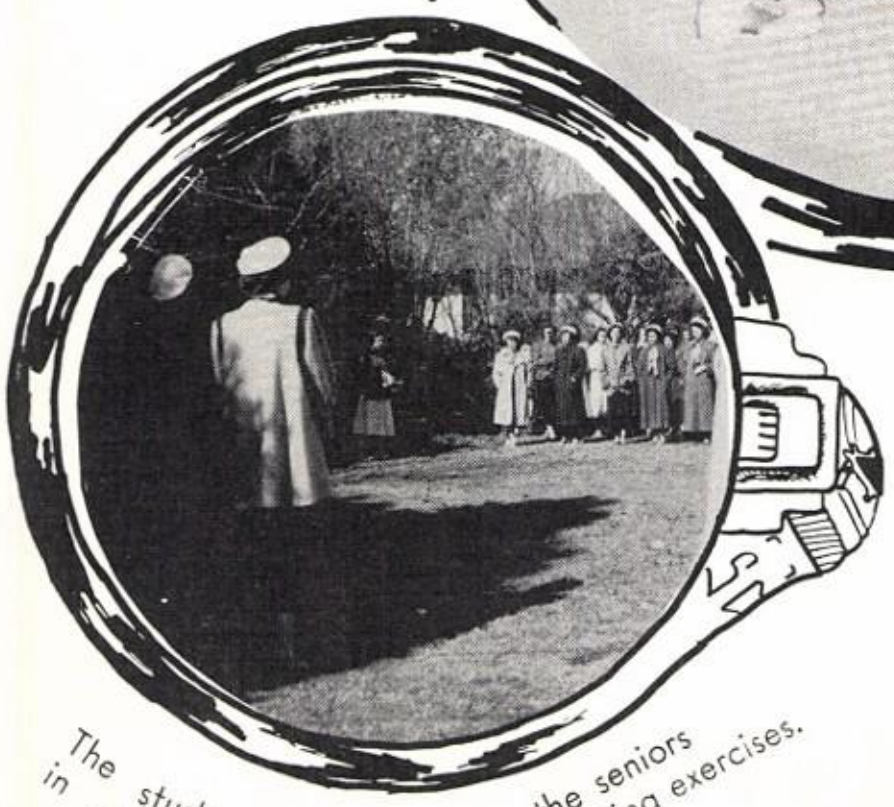
Ring Ceremony

Very Reverend Monsignor Roy Aycock, Diocesan Superintendent, presides at the

Monsignor takes the ring from the Blessed Mother to present it to Doris Ann.



Mickey Receives the ring from Monsignor before an improvised Grotto.



The student body joins the seniors in praising Mary at the opening exercises.

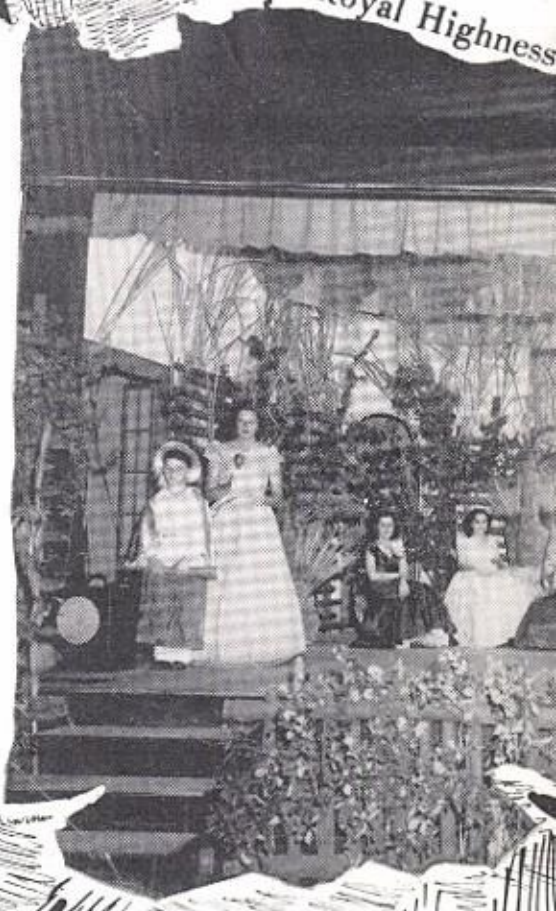
HARVEST FESTIVAL

Princess Barbara Cicardo and escort Theodore Johns

Train Bearer
Carolyn Campo

Maid of Honor, Helen Jean Fassentold and escort Jimmy Cayer

Her Royal Highness



The Royal

Crown Bearer, Judy Ann Wilde

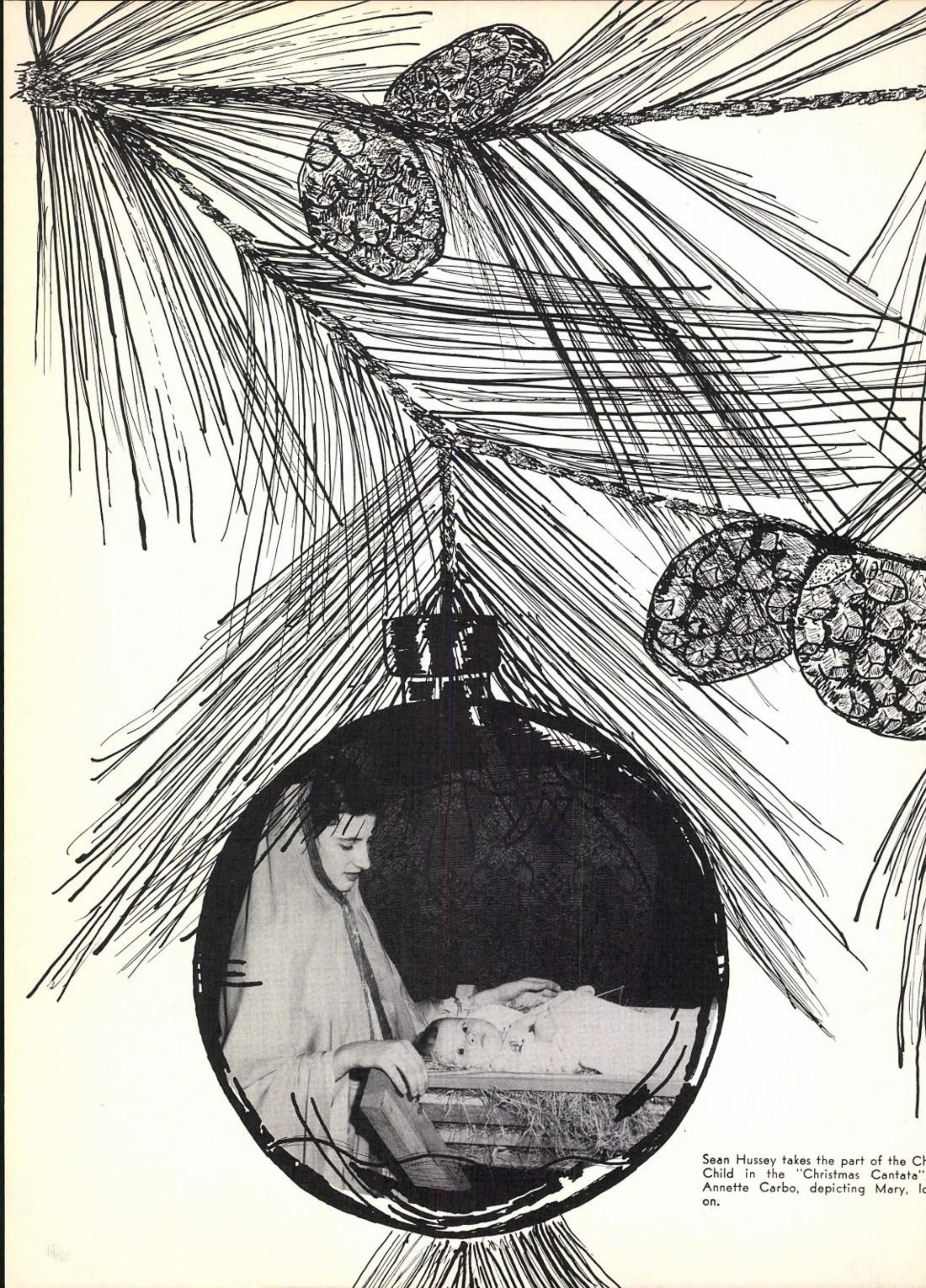
Duchess Patsy Waddell and escort Lloyd Charrier

Train Bearer. Faye Thompson

Patsy Baden

Maid Anna Richard and escort Hoyo Woote

Court

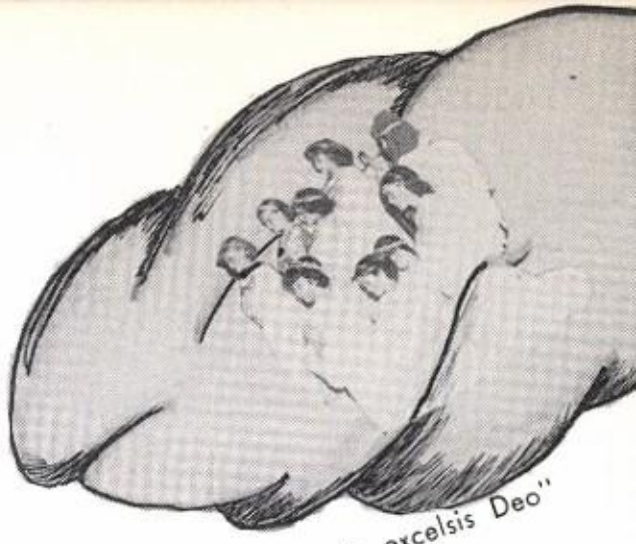


Sean Hussey takes the part of the Ch
Child in the "Christmas Cantata"
Annette Carbo, depicting Mary, lo
on.

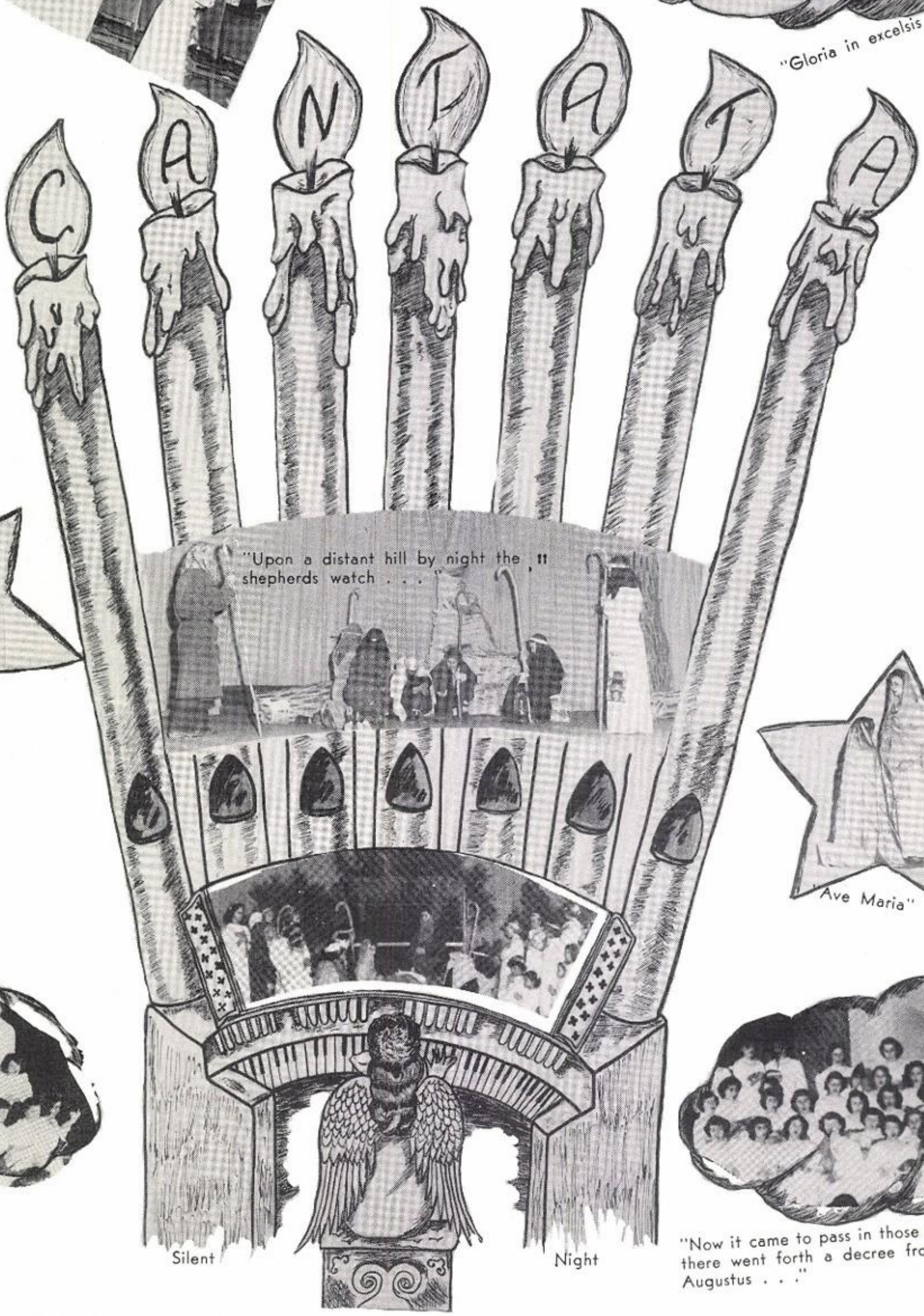
Yuletide carols permeate
the atmosphere

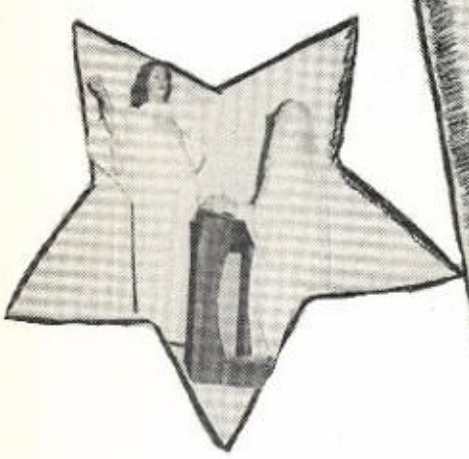
At the foot of the crib, Providence girls deposit articles of food which will be sent to needy families in Europe.

"Oh holy night"



"Gloria in excelsis Deo"





"Magnificat"

"Ave Maria"

"The grateful earth rejoiced . . ."

"Now it came to pass in those days, that there went forth a decree from Caesar Augustus . . ."

Mary Pauline Fredieu

Valentine Sweetheart

King and Queen of the Mardi Gras: Hoyo Wooten and Louise Bohrer
Pages: Mary Bordelon and James Phillips

Seniors Marie, Myra, Beverly, and Nina volunteer their after school hours to making favors for the Red Cross

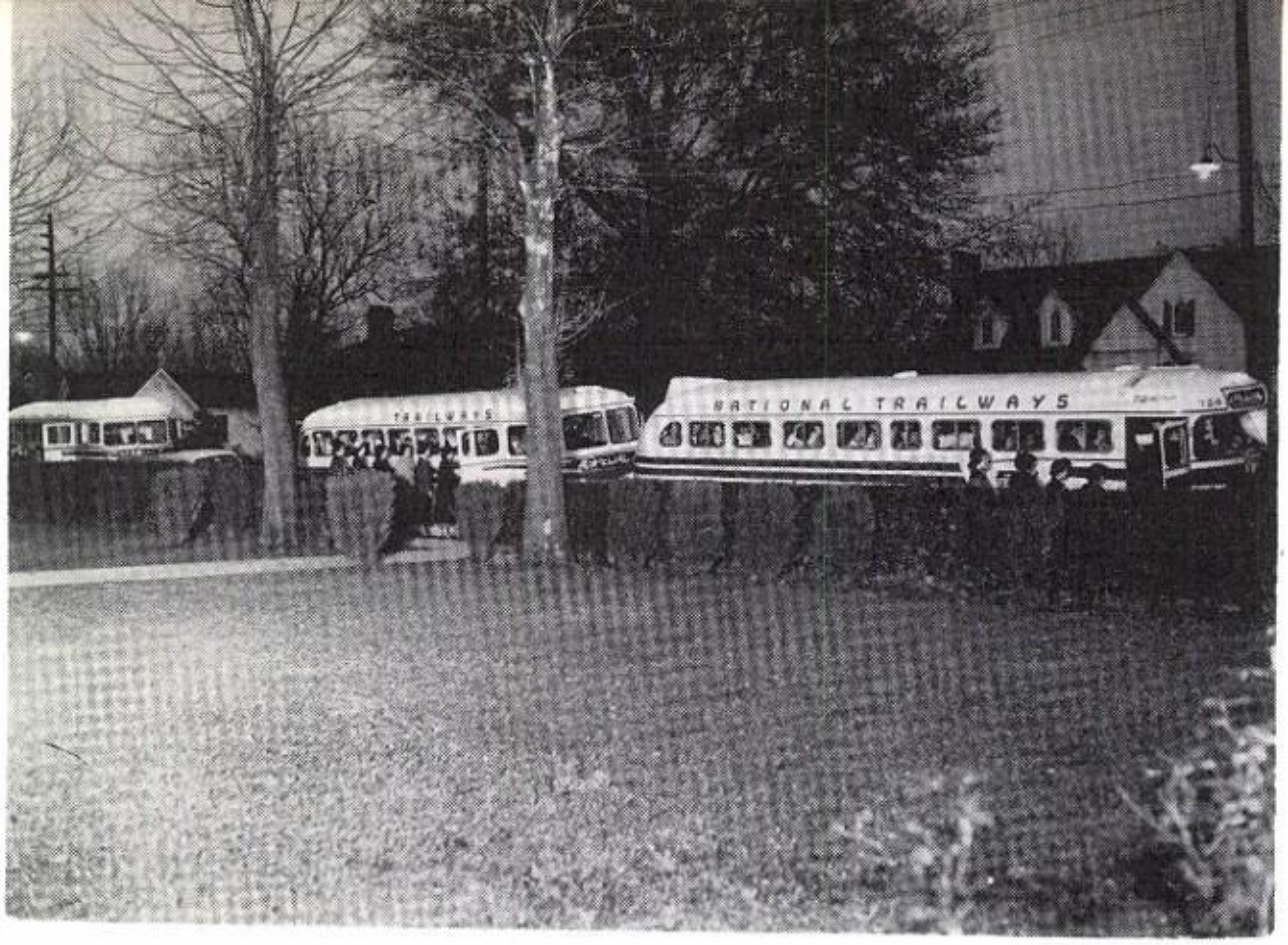
Jean shows samples of cards not on display to Eloise.

Most Rev. Charles P. Greco congratuluates the two new monsignori on their investiture day.

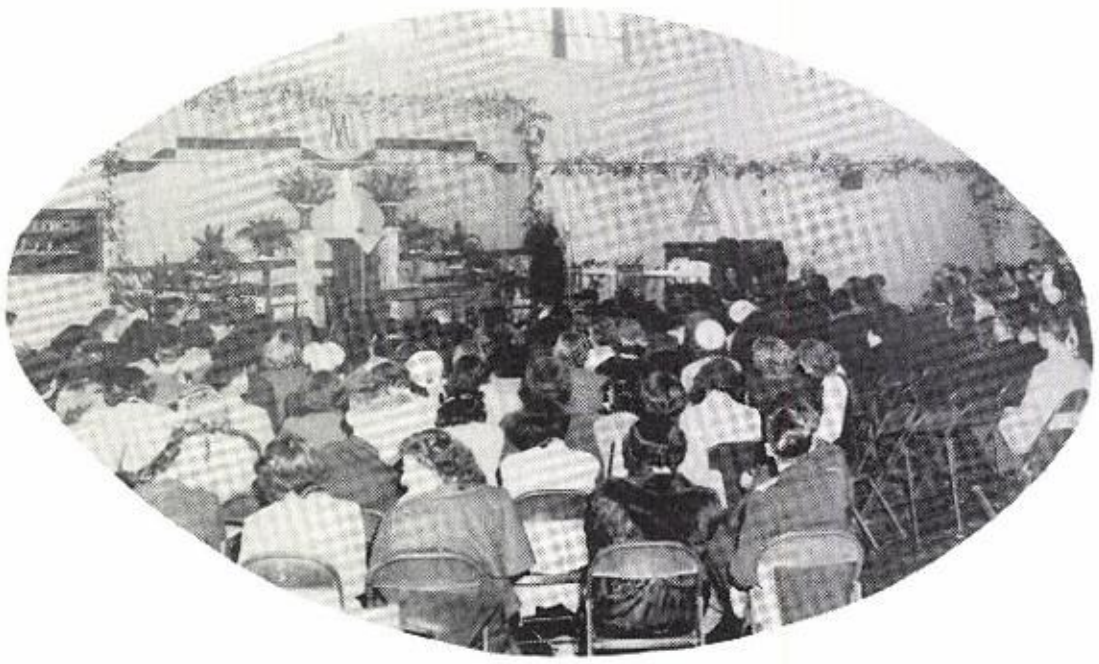
Rt. Rev. Monsignor Aloysius O. Olinger

Very Rev. Monsignor Leon Roy Aycock

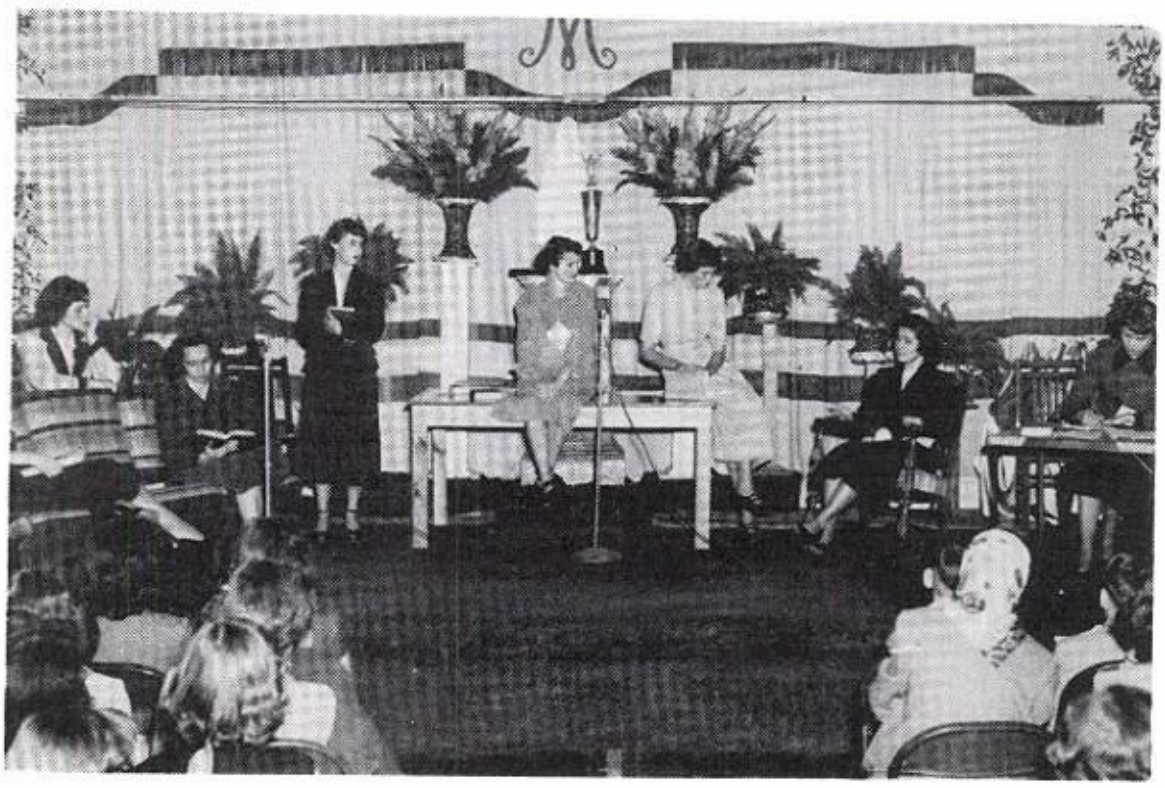
The two monsignori assist at the Pontifical High Mass held in their honor.



The camera catches only three of the four buses that will transport the student body to Natchitoches.



His Excellency addresses the sodalists at the opening session in St. Mary's High School Auditorium, Natchitoches, Louisiana.



Providence Central High School Sodalists present the skit, "It Won't Hurt Me," after which a discussion follows.

SEVENTH ANNUAL DIOCESAN

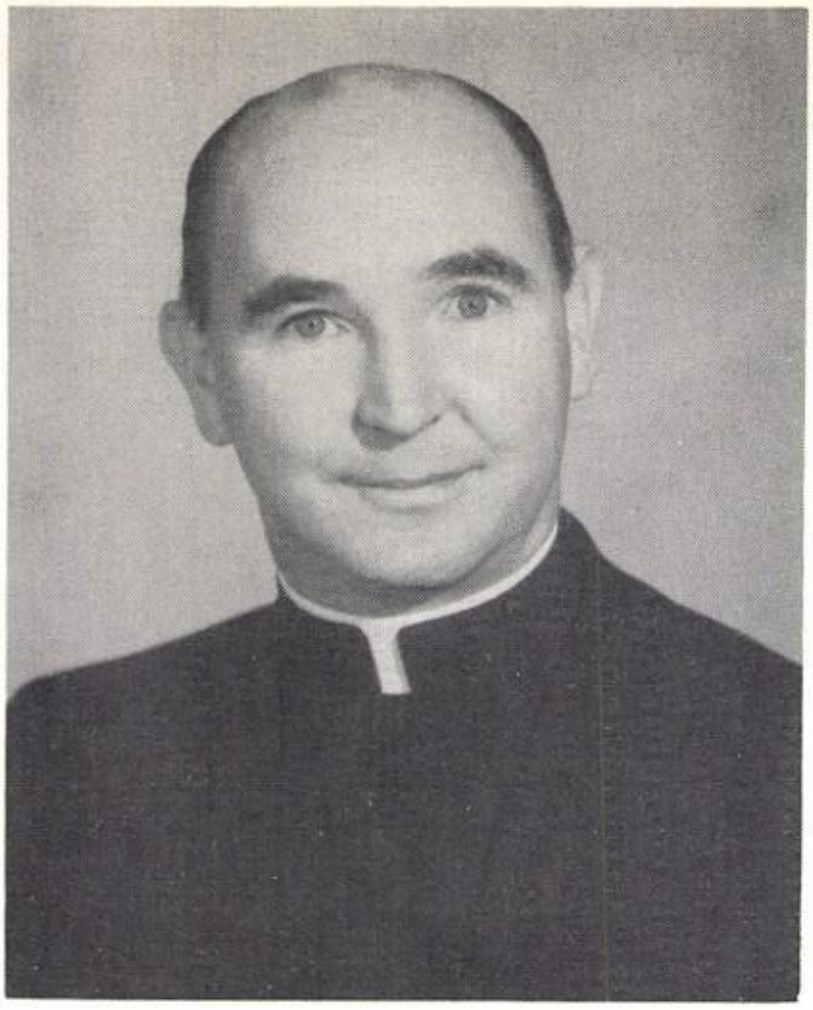
Most Rev. Charles P. Greco, Bishop of Alexandria, awards the oratorical trophy to Mickey Glanker for her outstanding presentation of "God's Colorbearers."

Crowning the Natchitoches Basketball Queen terminates the day's activities

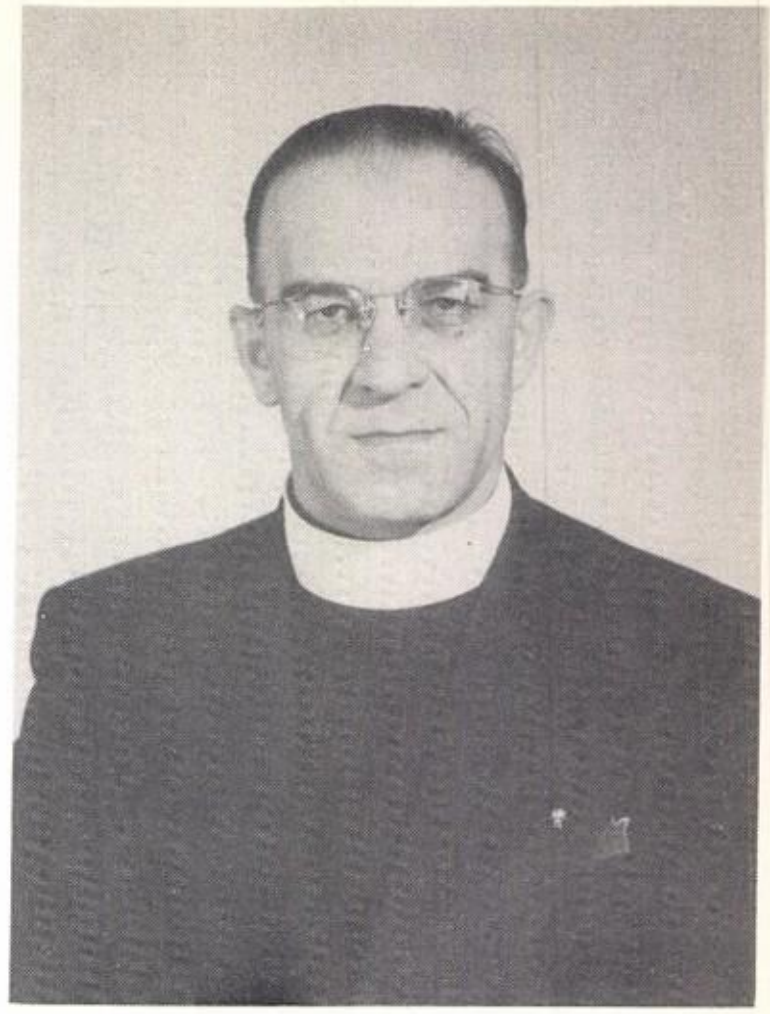
Sodalists fulfill their resolution of spending five minutes in prayer for Father Lyons, S. J., discussion leader of the convention.

SODALITY CONVENTION

A few members of
the sewing class model their
first dresses that they made by
themselves.

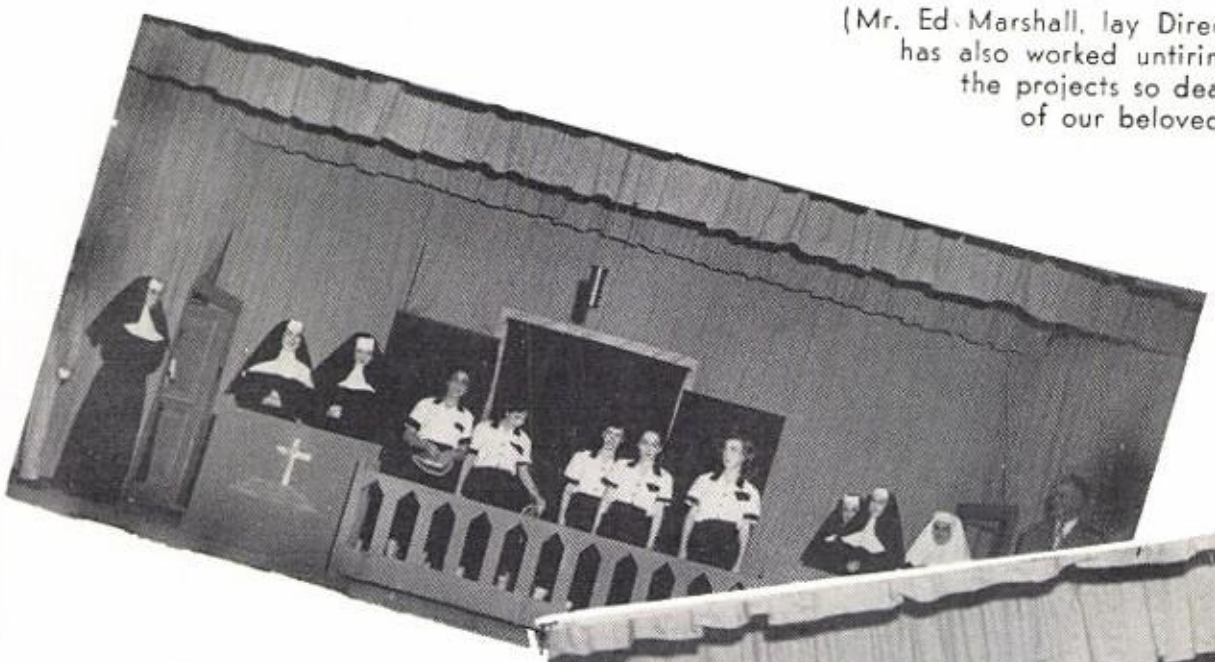


Father Conway, C. Y. O. Director and pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Pineville, has developed leadership among the Catholic youth of Alexandria.



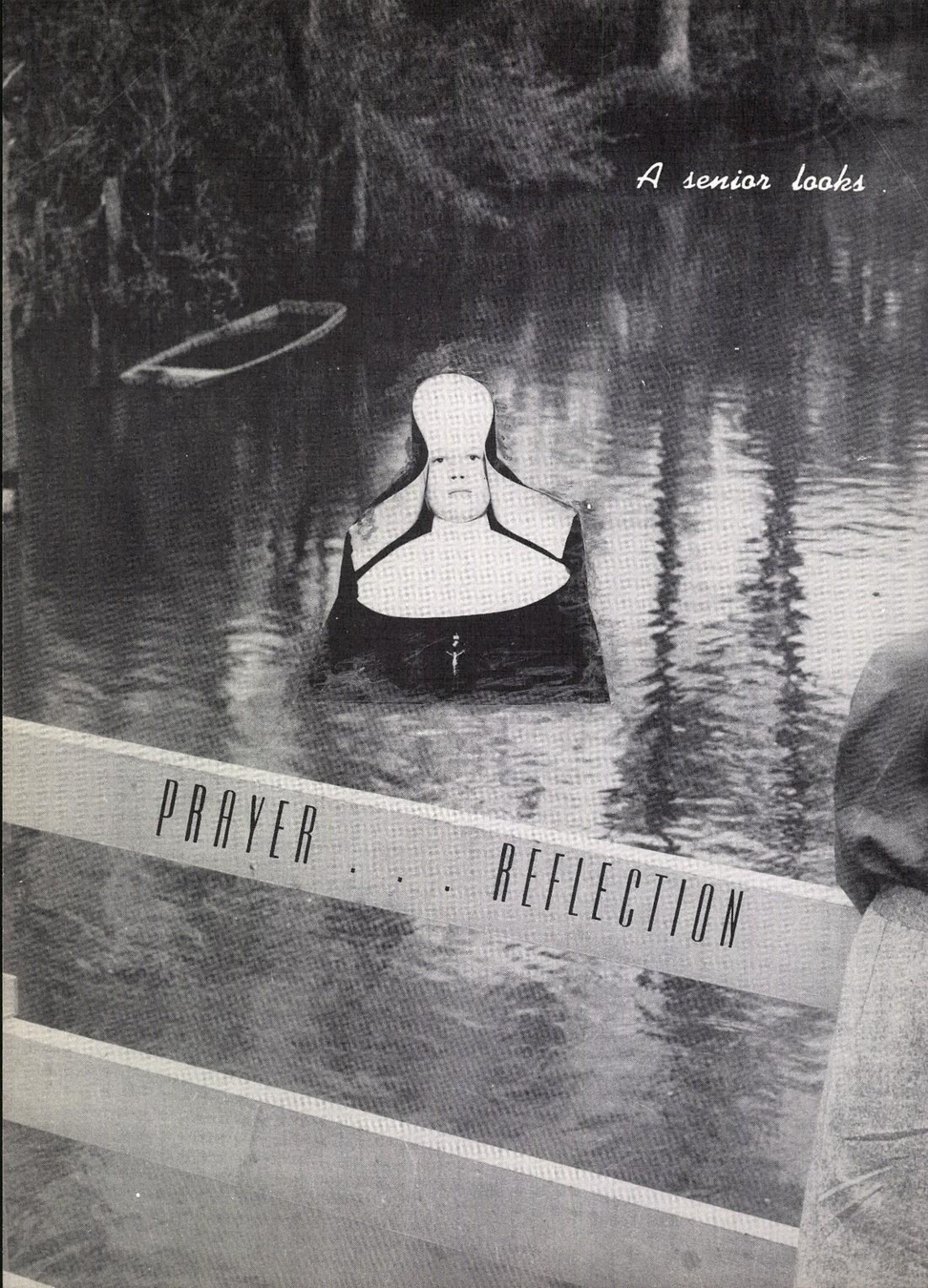
Father Dubé takes interest in the youth of his parish. The active sodality at St. Rita's has set a goal for other parishes to reach.

(Mr. Ed Marshall, lay Director of the C. Y. O., has also worked untiringly to promote the projects so dear to the heart of our beloved Bishop.)



Left: High School members of the C. Y. O. drama guild form the main cast of the drama.

Right: Helen Jean plays the role of a fiery high school boarder who is eager to get her name in print.


A senior looks
PRAYER . . . REFLECTION

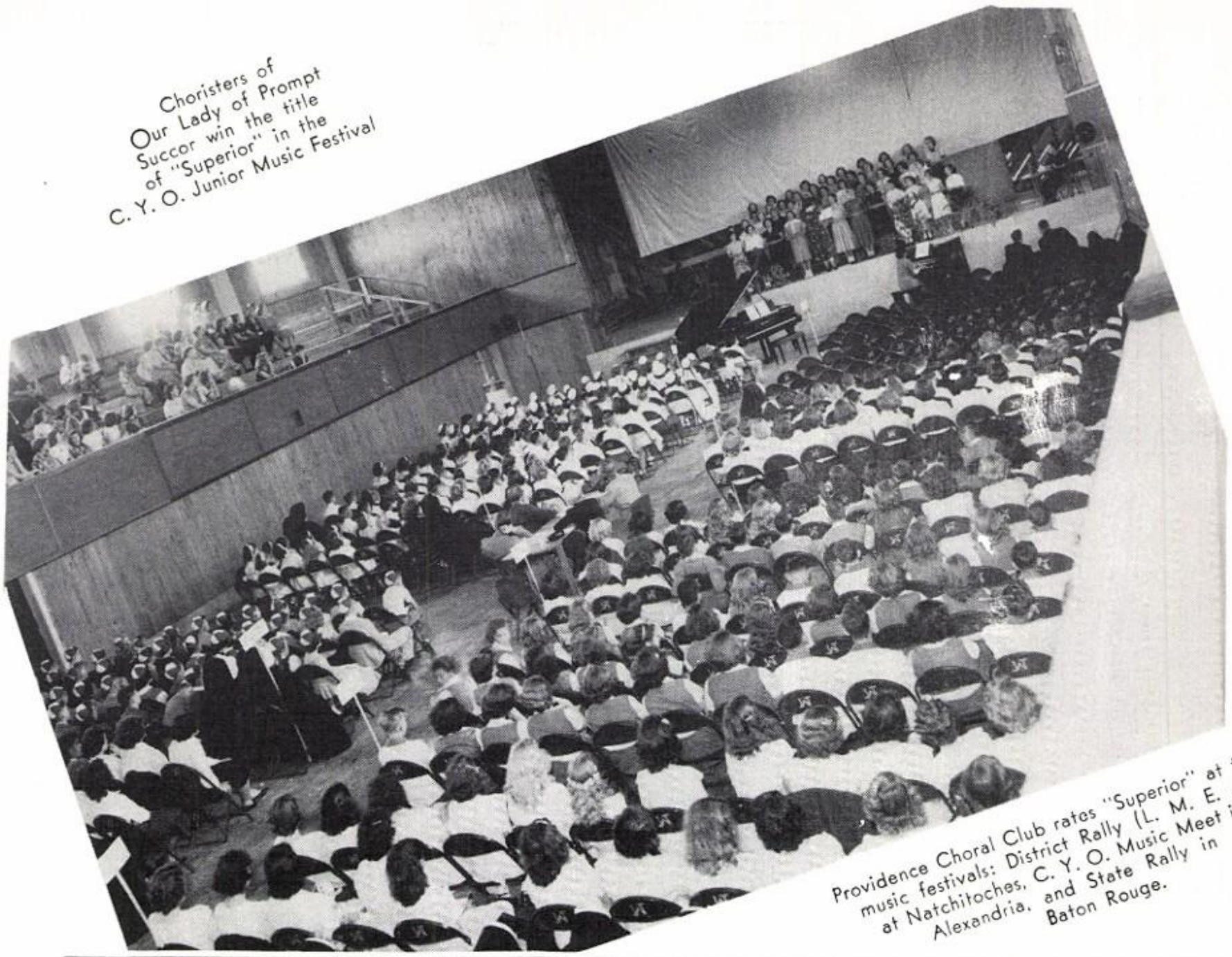
into the future

. . . DECISION

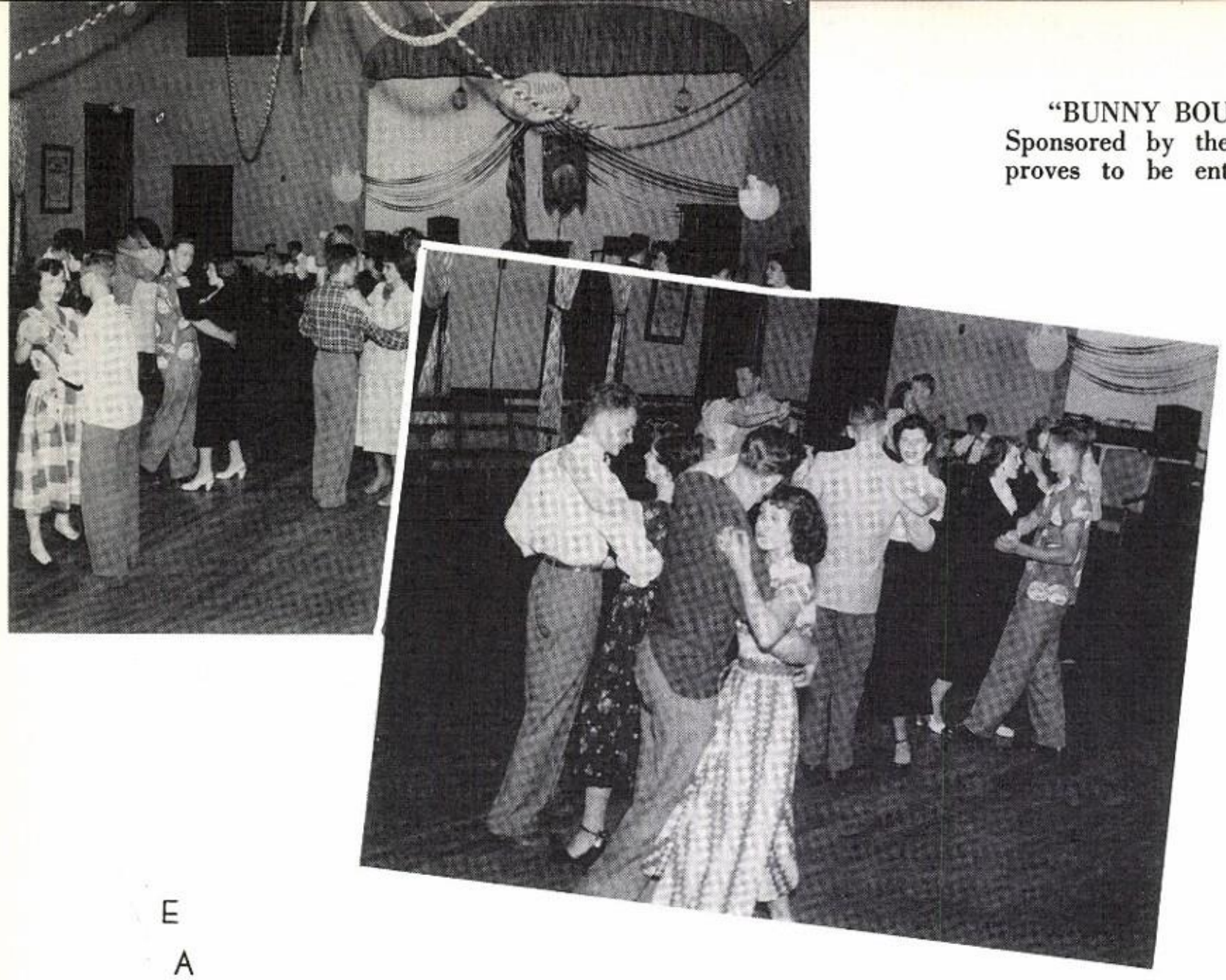
The following students portray the step and phases of the religious life of th Sisters of Divine Providence, in connec tion with a panel discussion of religiou vocations presented by the members o the faculty. Left to right: (first row Mary Kelso, Candidate, Joan Fazi Bride of Christ, Lois Gilchrist, Postulan (second row) Mildred Barker, Novic Catherine Normand, Nurse, (third row Doris Scallan, Professed Sister, (fourt row) Joyce LaBorde, Catechist, Professe Sister, Bobbie Cicardo, Catechist No vice.

The social committee of Our Lady's Sodality enacts the skit, "Vocation Room," during the March Sodality meeting.

Choristers of
Our Lady of Prompt
Succor win the title
of "Superior" in the
C. Y. O. Junior Music Festival

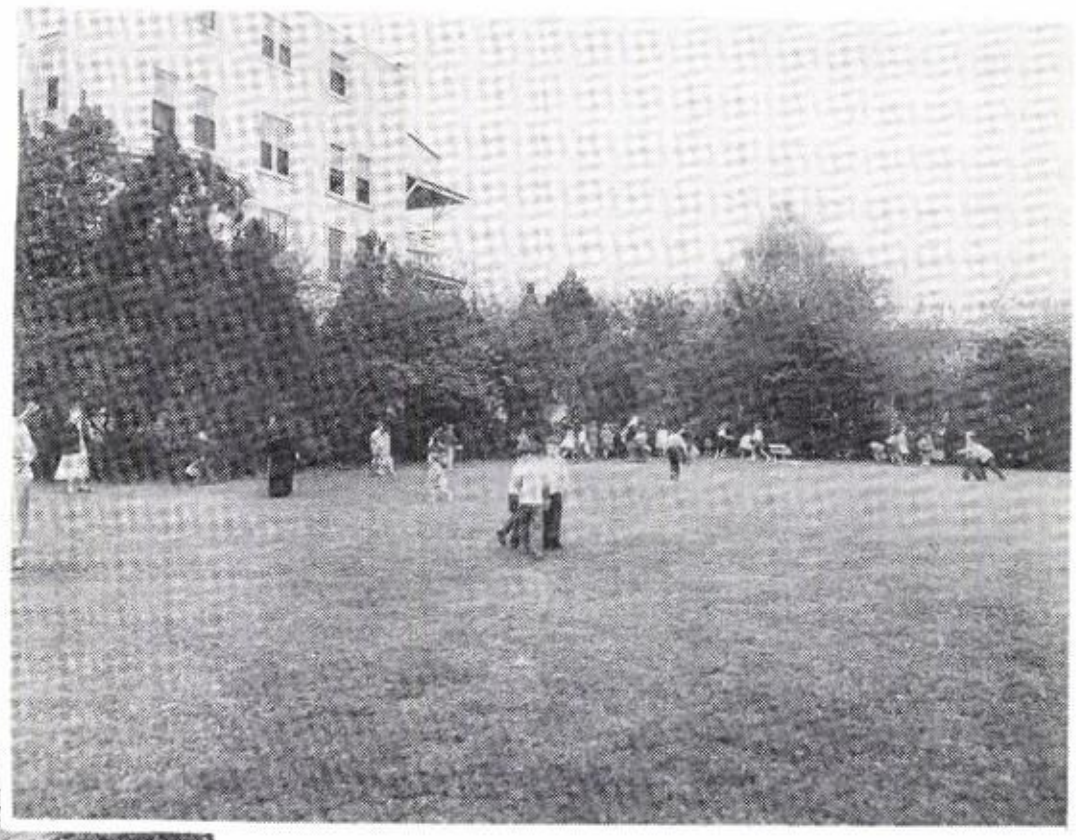


Providence Choral Club rates "Superior" at three music festivals: District Rally (L. M. E. A.) at Natchitoches, C. Y. O. Music Meet in Alexandria, and State Rally in Baton Rouge.



"BUNNY BOUNCE"
Sponsored by the Juniors, proves to be entertaining.

EASTER DANCE



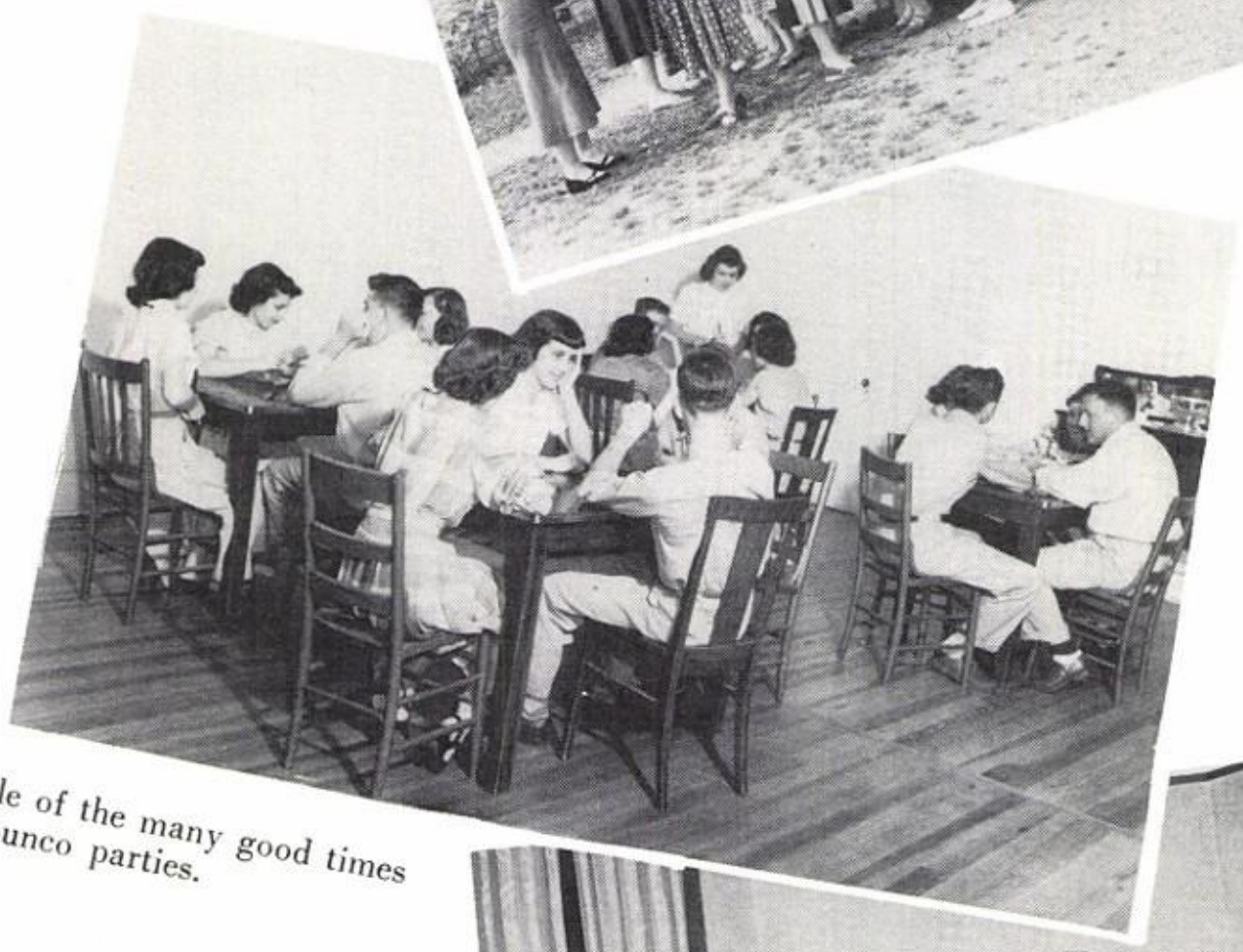
EGG HUNT

O. L. P. S. students search every nook of the campus for eggs while senior sponsors look on.

Happy winners smile for the camera.

"Thursdays at Home" gives a group of sophomores an opportunity to display their dramatic talents.

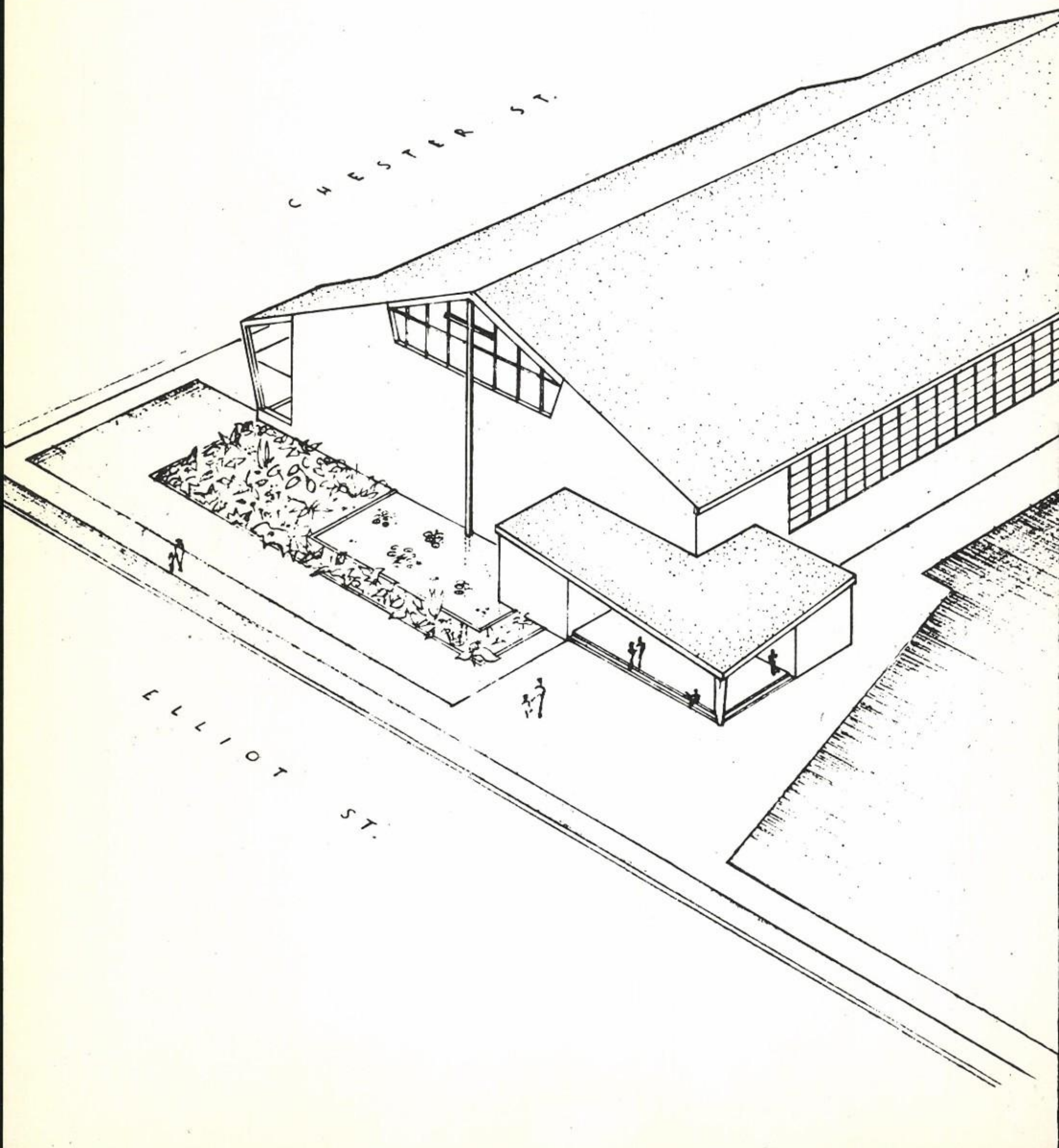
Joan has worked up a profitable business with her balloon sale.

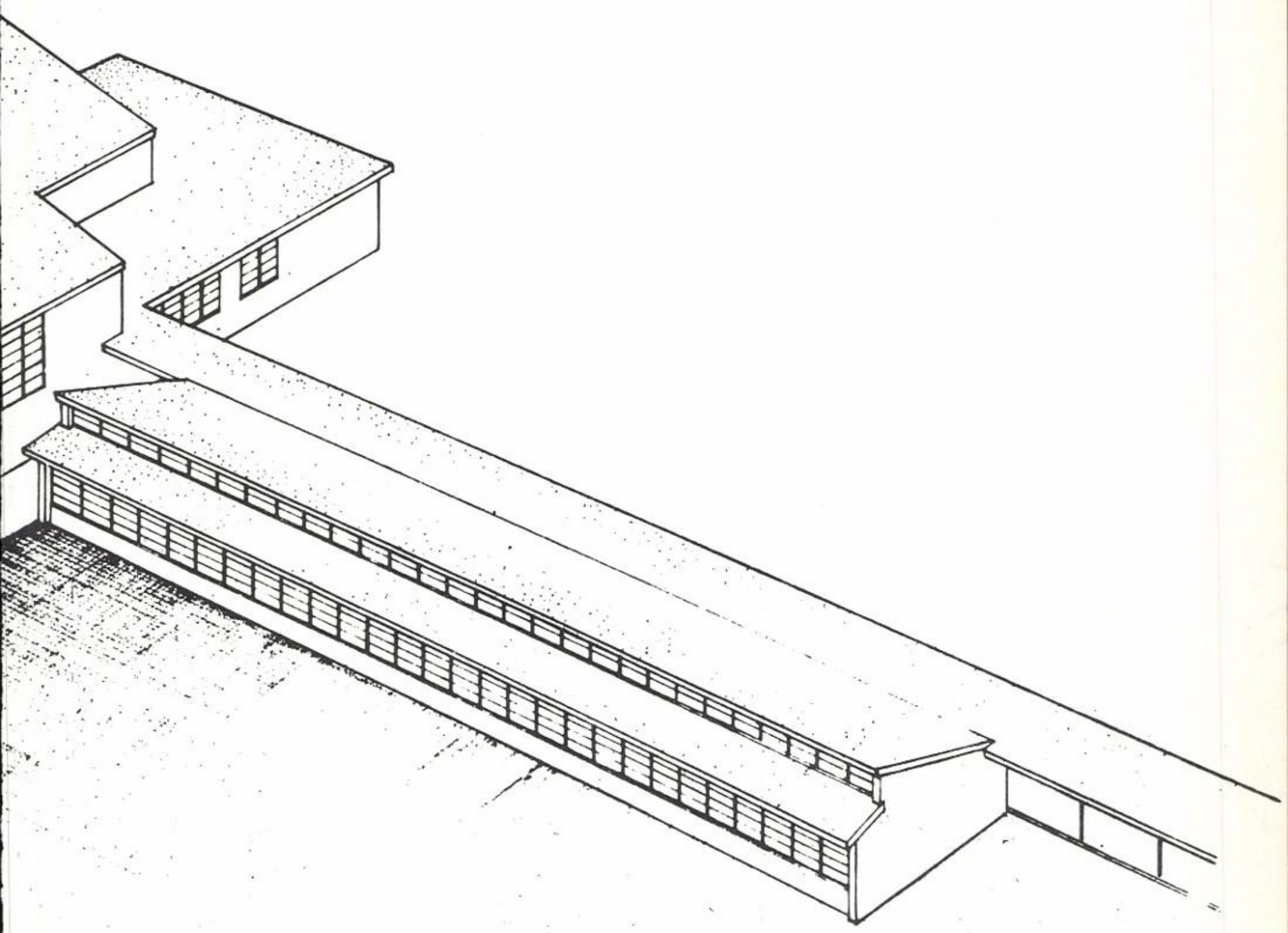


Just a sample of the many good times had at the bunco parties.

"Sardines," a one-act comedy, affords many a laugh.

Faculty and students are eagerly awaiting the ground breaking ceremonies of the new gym-auditorium and home ec building.





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ANNA RICHARD
'MISS PROVIDENCE"

Student Council President, Mickey Glankler, congratulates Anna as she presents a sterling silver rosary to her.

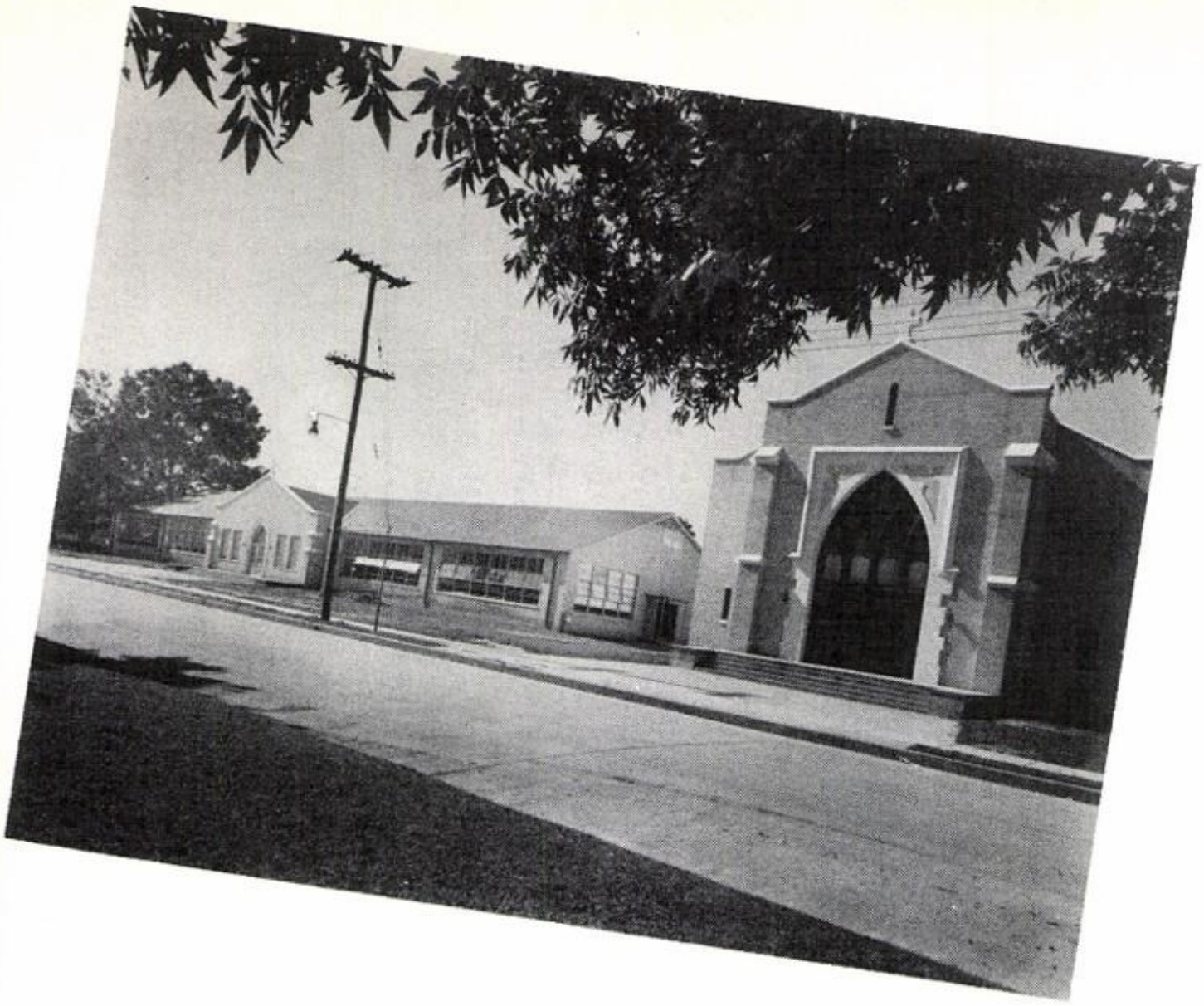
Father Prevot awards the "Miss Providence" gold medal to Anna.

Refreshments add the finishing touches to the freshmen-senior party.

The freshmen have borrowed a knighting ceremony from days of yore, and they bid the seniors who initiated them to go forth into the world as second Joan of Arcs and loyal daughters of Providence.

Charlene Wilson, who came back to her old school, Providence, was too late when the annual pictures were taken. The camera catches her in a relaxing position on May Day.

Sadie Jean Martin, president of the senior class, poses for the camera on May Day.

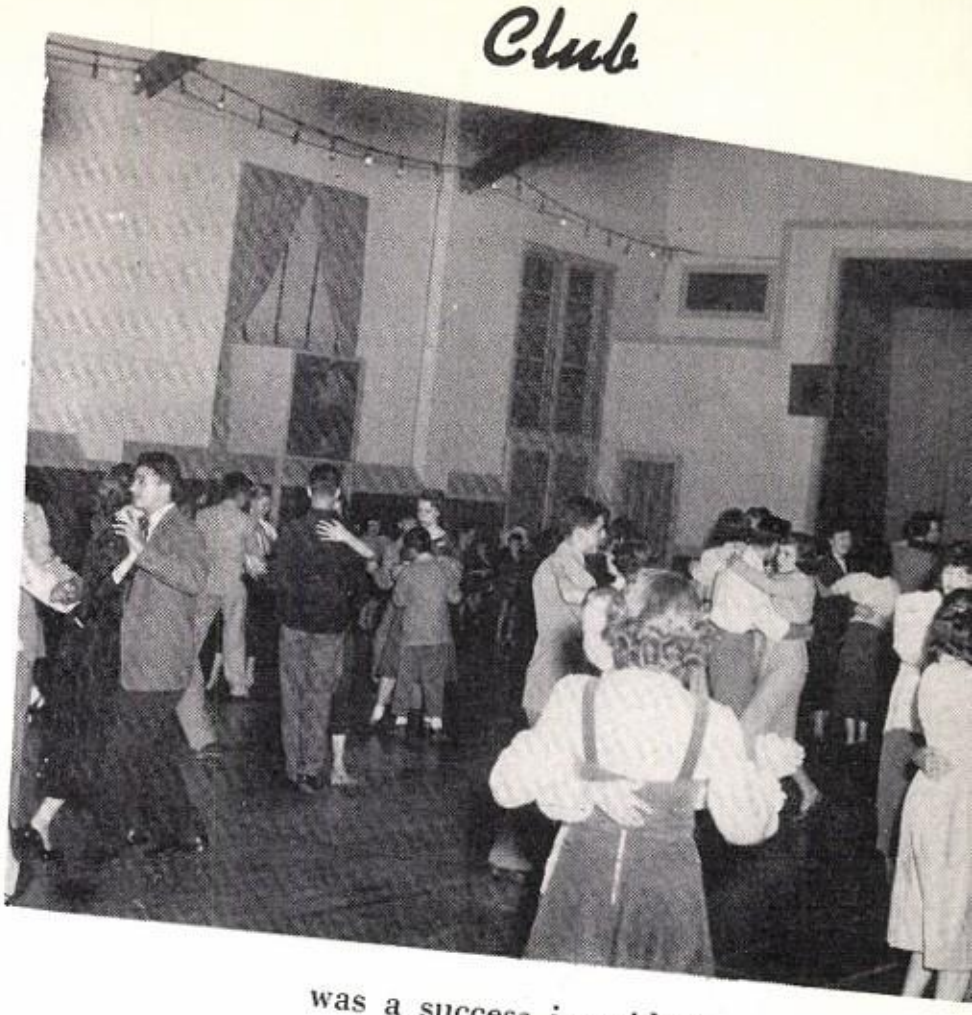


Our Lady of Prompt Succor Parochial School and Church

SSCA Delegates pose with a few members of the staff.

Mothers' Club of PCH

That the Mothers' Club Dance



was a success is evident

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Secretary ..... Mrs. Murray Normand

Treasurer ..... Mrs. Murphy Fournet

The Senior Class is indeed grateful to this active group of mothers, who sponsored this yearbook.

Shown in picture left to right: Mrs. Murphy Fournet, Mrs. E. M. Furby, Mrs. Murray Normand, Mrs. G. A. Betar, Mrs. J. S. Williams, Mrs. Bryan Kimball, Mrs. Evans. Mrs. Nick Cicardo, Mrs. F. J. Blanchard.

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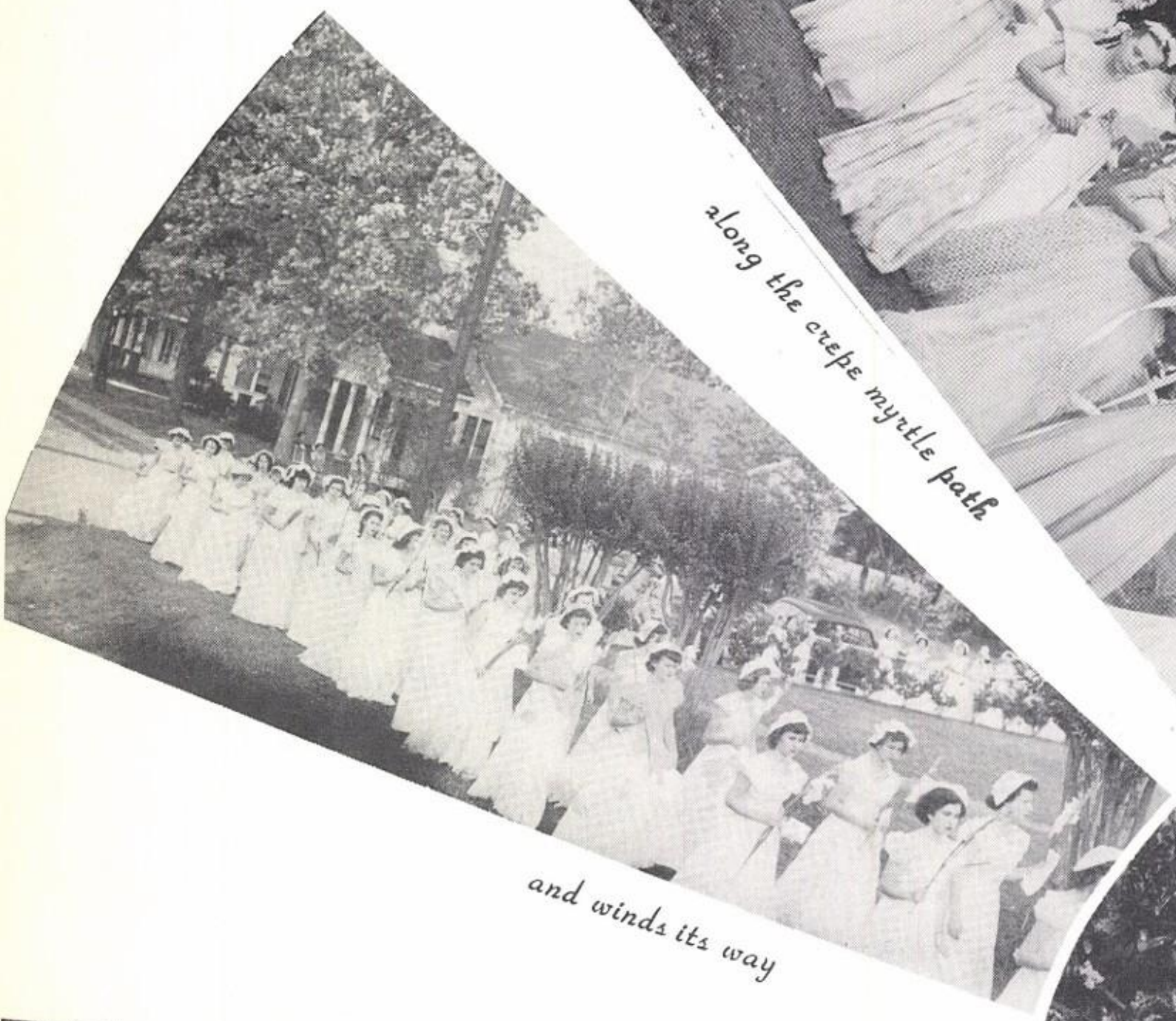
MRS. FOWLER
Basketball Coach

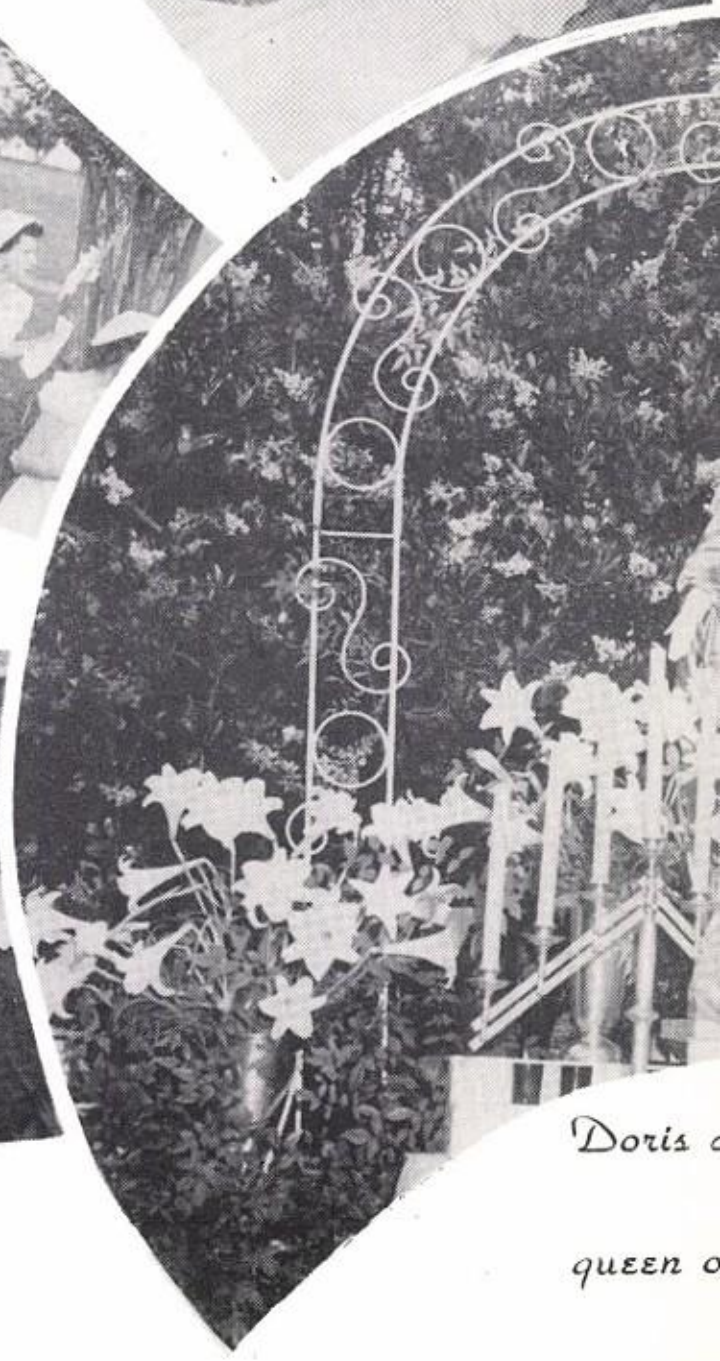
The May

along the crepe myrtle path



and winds its way

The procession rounds the corner



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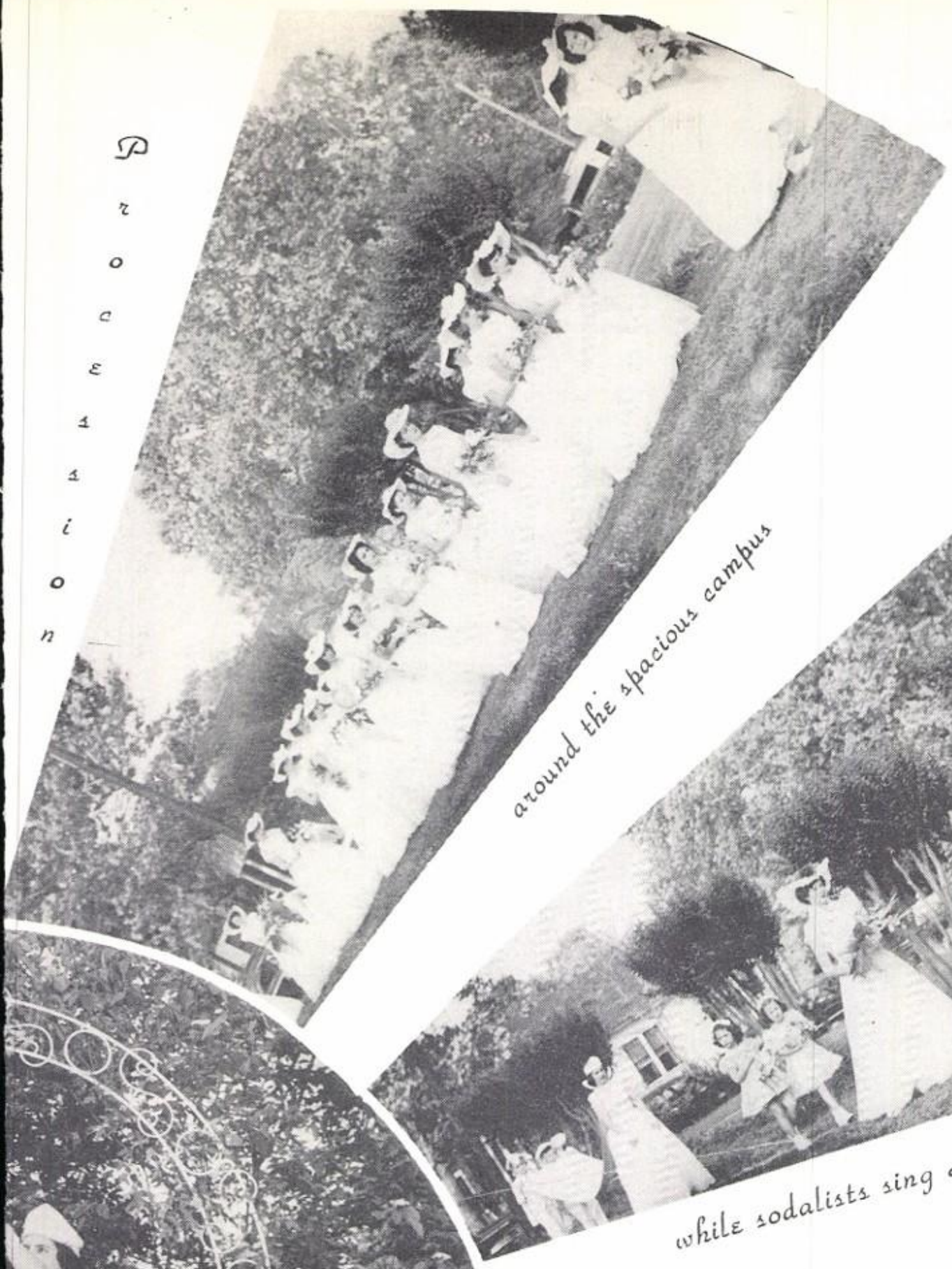
Procession

around the spacious campus



while sodalists sing Mary's praises

Mary

May

up to the Blessed Virgin's shrine

The Freshmen form Mary's Crown

The eighth grade flower girls pose with the crown bearer.

The queen and her court pose with the senior attendants.

The sophomores form the A in Ave.

The juniors form the M for Maria.

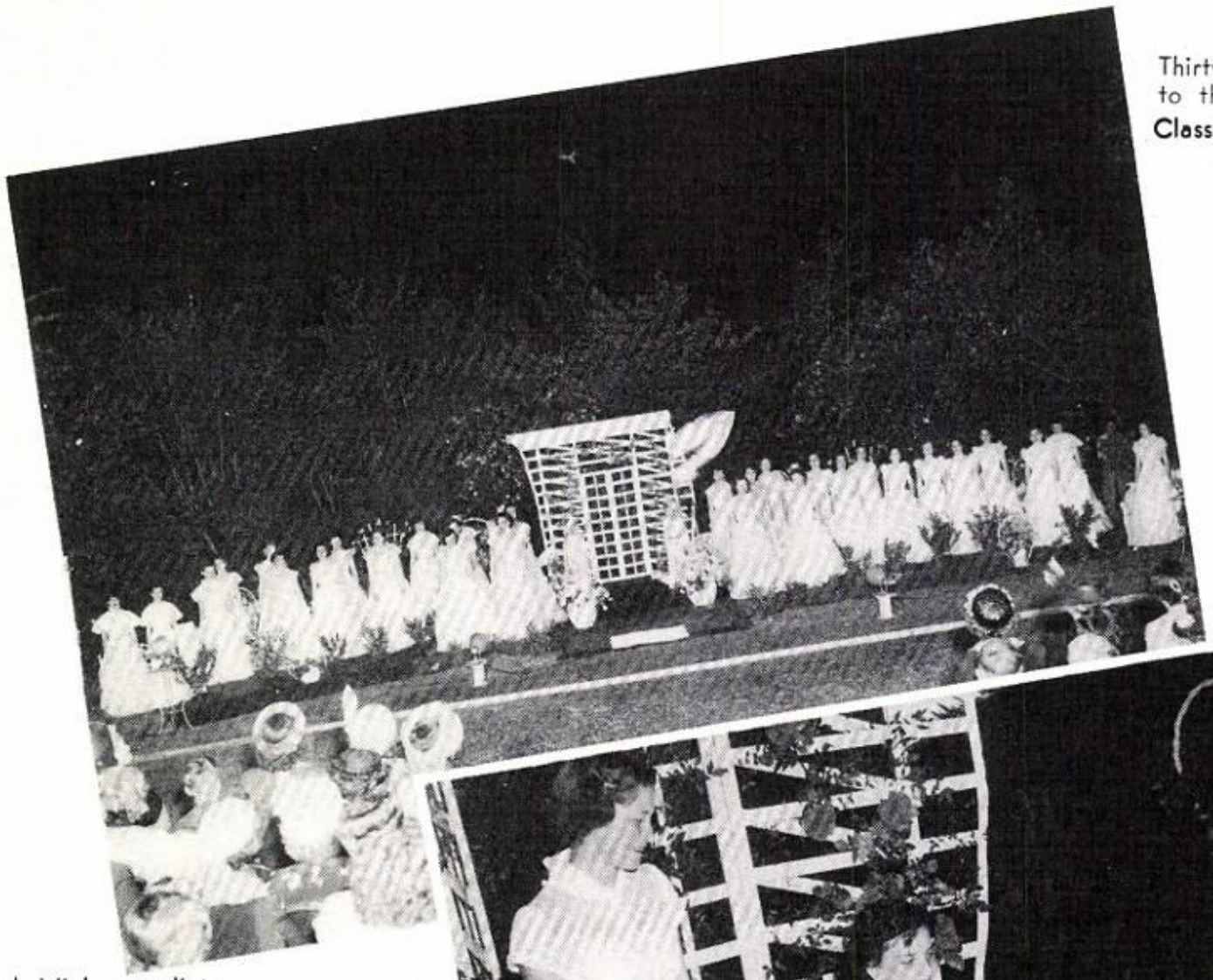
Kitty and Audrey enjoy an intermission chatting with their dates.

Menard and Providence juniors and seniors dance in the Venetian Room at the Bently Hotel on Prom Night.

Our Blessed Mother, on a floating floral island forms the centerpiece at the banquet.

These two couples are having a good time at the Prom.

The Providence-Menard banquet was held in the Menard Cafteteria

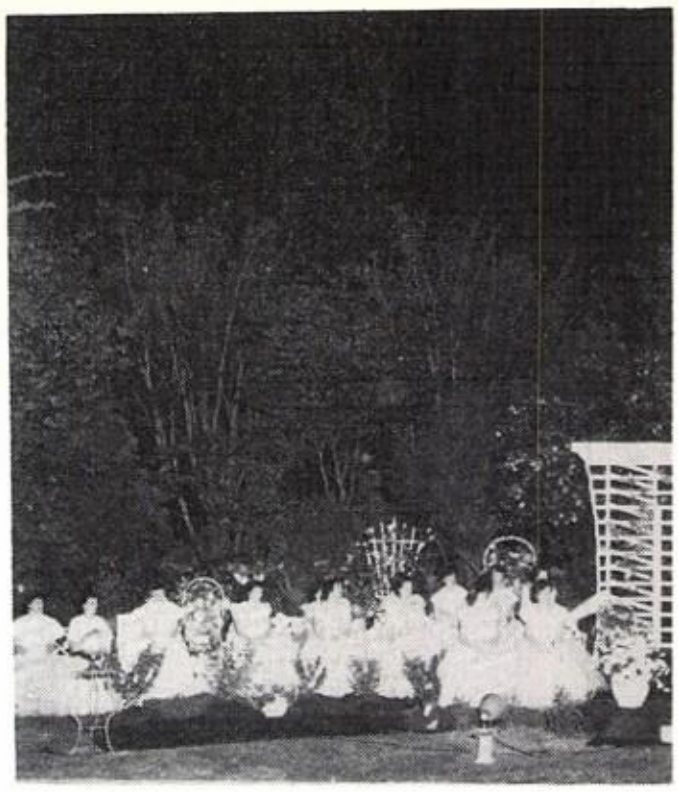


Thirty-three graduates add beau
to the lovely outdoor setting
Class Night exercises begin.

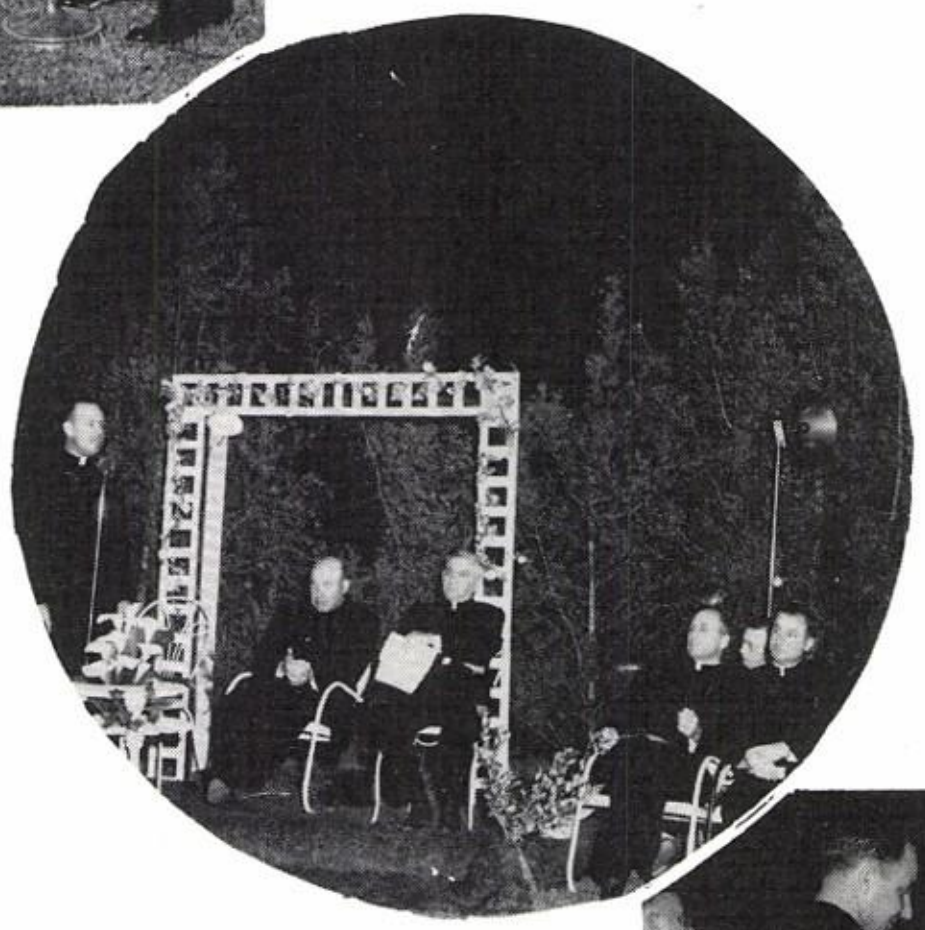
Pat, Janet, and Mickey radiate the joy they felt before the water curtain was lowered.

Four happy seniors pose for the photographer after the Class Night program.

Co-Editor Pat Van Gossen receives the Valedictorian Medal from Monsignor Aycock, Diocesan Superintendent of Schools.



In rapt attention, the seniors listen to the guest speaker.



Rt. Rev. R. E. Tracy, Catholic Chaplain of L. S. U., delivers the Class Night address.

Ruth Deville is bubbling over with joy as she is presented with a gold medal for citizenship.

Janet Furby acknowledges with a big smile the gold medal she receives for having participated in all school activities.

School

SEPTEMBER

1-3 Registration
6 Mass of the Holy Ghost
7 Selecting of senior class rings
9 Get acquainted party
12 First Providentia Staff meeting
19-30 Providentia "Ad" Drive
26 Student Council is organized

OCTOBER

5 How Green was My Valley
7 Menard Home Coming Game
10 Class Ring Ceremony
20-21 Confraternity of Christian Doctrine
22 Christ the King Rally
26 Halloween Party

NOVEMBER

4-5 Carnival
7 Harvest Festival
14-19 Library Club Book Week Exhibit
16 The Duke of West Point
24 Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

1-3 Senior Retreat and Burning of the Bridges
8 Reception into Sodality
12 Christmas Cantata
16-17 Caroling
20 Trip to Bunkie
22 Caroling
23 Christmas Party
31 Watch Party

JANUARY

6 Three Kings
10-13 Semester Exams
16 Miss Providence contest begins. Class pictures for annual
20 Fruit Basket Tilt
22 Mickey Gankler wins Oratorical Elimination Contest
25 Jane Eyre
27 Junior Dance

FEBRUARY

1 Valentine Contest
3 Sophomore Party
4 Sodality Convention in Natchitoches. Mickey Gankler wins finals in oratorical contest
13 Valentine Sweetheart
14 Little Men
20 Investiture
22 Lent begins

Officers of the Student Council plan future activi
City Clerk, Pauline Treadway, Commissioner o
Commissioner of Finance, Janet Furby, Treasure
Ellington, Street Commissioner.

Calendar

eft to right: Shirley Thiberville,
ys and Means, Anna Richard,
key Glankler, Mayor, and Betty

MARCH
VOCATION MONTH

2 Father Marshall addresses students
3 Mr. Camile Gravel talks about marriage as a vocation
6 Miss Foto encourages interior decorating as a career.
10 "Vocation Room"
17 Rally in Natchitoches—Superior rating.
18 C. Y. O. Basketball Tournament
19 Dedication of Cabrini Hospital
21 Music Reçital
25 Style Show
26 C. Y. O. Festival-Superior
27 Vocation Panel Discussion by faculty
30 Bunco Party

APRIL

4 Easter Egg Hunt for OLPS
5 Holidays begin at 3:00 p. m.
6 Holy Hour at the Cathedral
10 Bunny Bounce
11-12-13 N. C. E. A.
14 Mother's Club Dance
15 Trio wins trophy at La. College
17 Black Beauty
19 "Thursdays at Home", "Sardines"
20 Gym Day
21 Miss Providence contest ends.
23 Choral Club sings over KALB
25 Swiss Family Robinson
26 Class Night
27 Music Rally in Baton Rouge
Superior Rating

MAY

1 Freshman party for seniors
2 Jr.-Sr. Prom at Hotel Bentley
4 May Procession
17 Centennial Summer
22-23-24 Final Exams
25 Graduation

SUMMER

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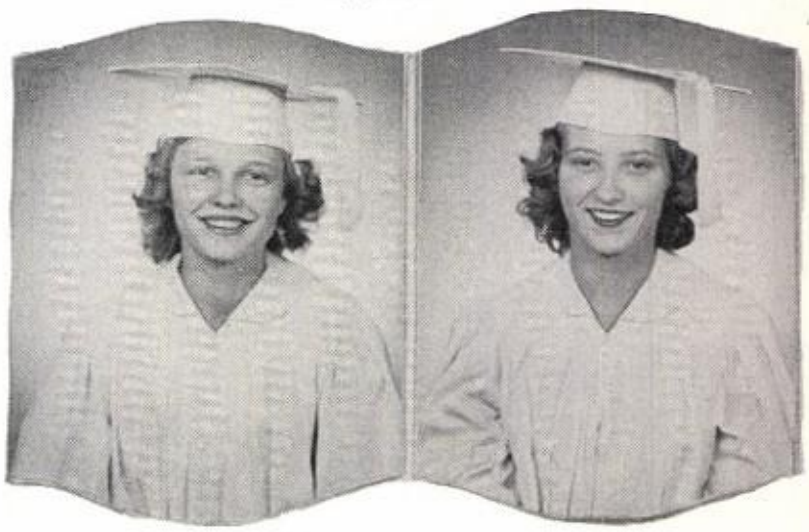

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Abigail Riche

Marjorie Posey

Virginia Dinnat

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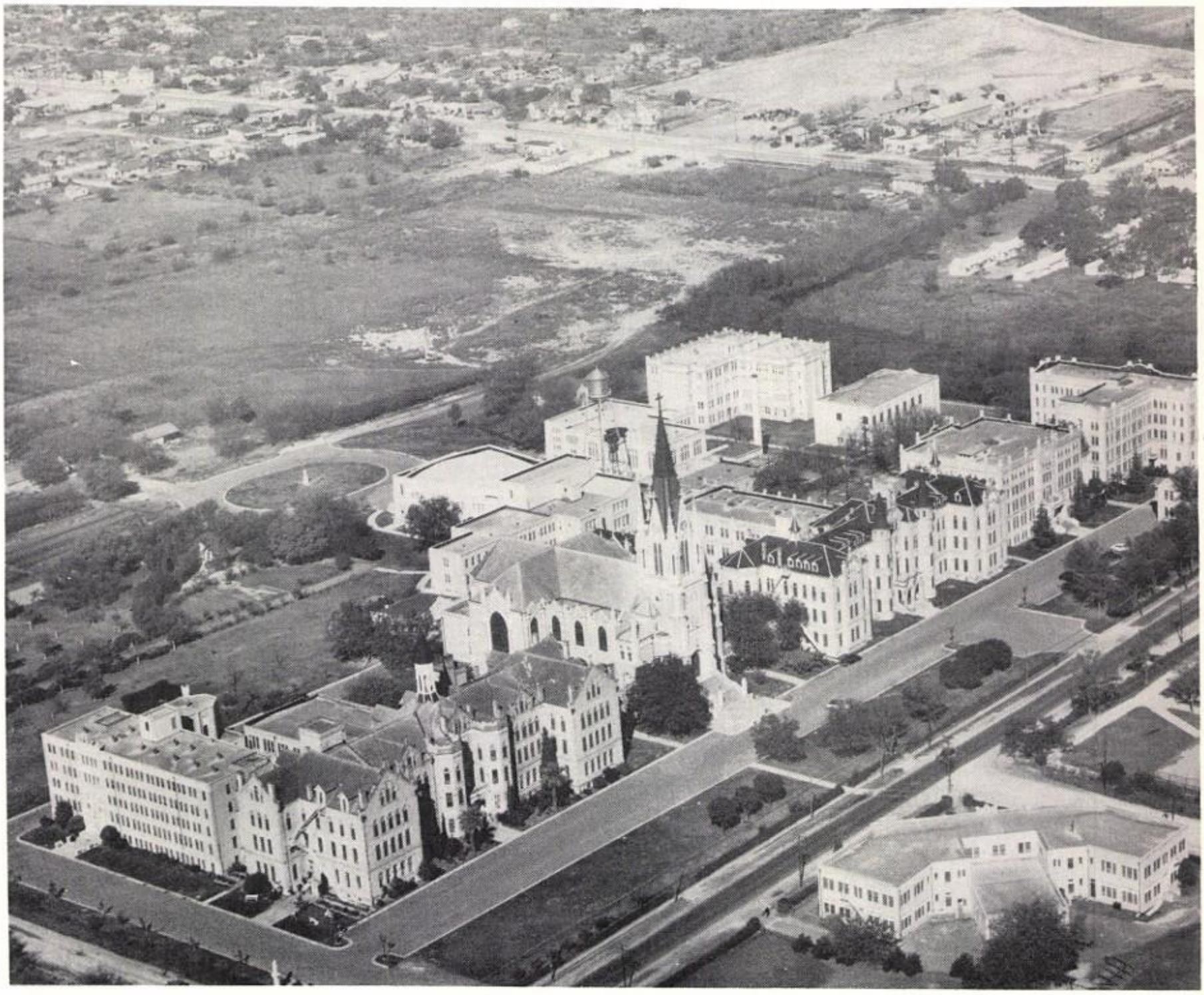

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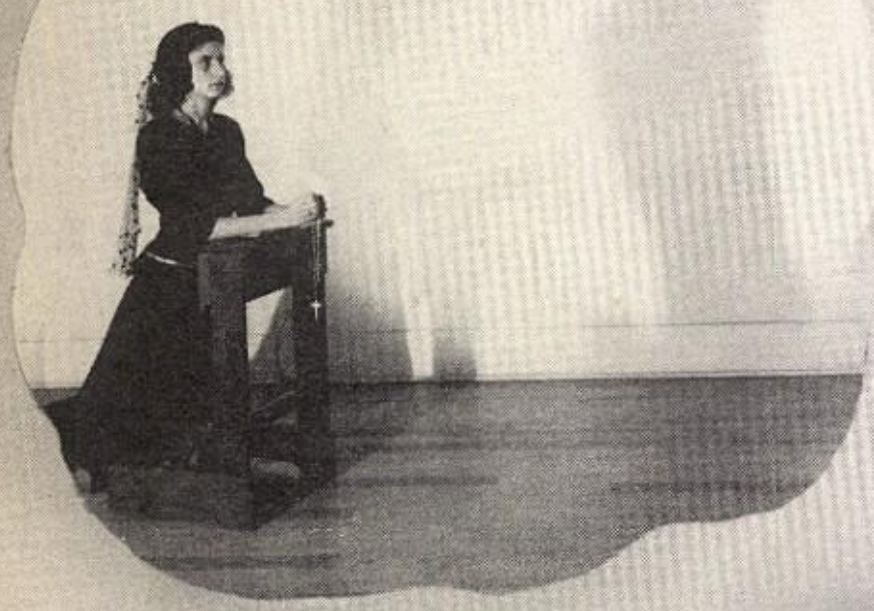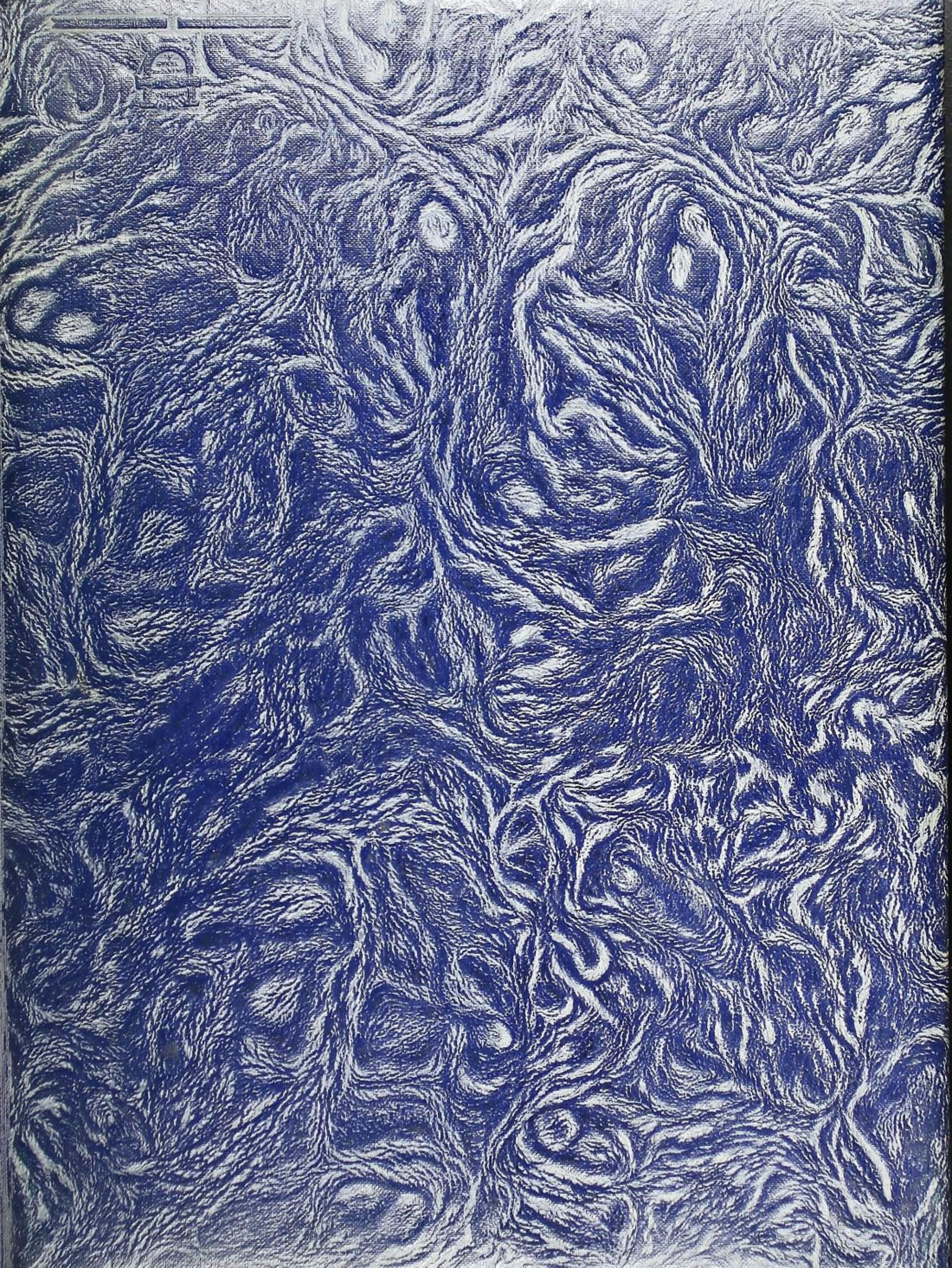
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